

Senate Bill 502

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AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To provide a comprehensive revision, modernization, and reform of the laws of this state
2 relating to operating motor vehicles while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other
3 substances; to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor
4 vehicles and traffic, so as to provide legislative intent; to prohibit the operation of motor
5 vehicles in this state while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other substances; to
6 provide for implied consent to chemical testing; to provide definitions; to provide for
7 chemical testing of persons suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or
8 other substances; to provide for the procedures to obtain and perform such tests; to provide
9 for the administration of certain warnings with regard to such tests; to provide for
10 independent tests under certain circumstances; to provide for certain qualifications of persons
11 performing such tests and certain instruments used in such tests; to provide for the admission
12 into evidence of the results of such tests and such certifications of testing instruments; to
13 provide for certain immunities; to provide for certain disclosures; to provide for the taking
14 of the driver's license of a person suspected of operating a motor vehicle while under the
15 influence of alcohol, drugs, or other substances in certain circumstances; to provide for
16 temporary driving permits under certain circumstances; to provide for certain reports by law
17 enforcement officers and courts; to provide for the suspension and revocation of drivers'
18 licenses under certain circumstances; to provide for procedures for such suspensions and
19 revocations; to provide for hearings in certain circumstances; to provide for reinstatement of
20 drivers' licenses under certain circumstances; to provide for compensation for law
21 enforcement officers for attending hearings; to provide for sanctions and penalties for
22 operating motor vehicles in this state while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other
23 substances; to prohibit the operation of a school bus while under the influence of alcohol,
24 drugs, or other substances; to prohibit the operation of a motor vehicle while under the
25 influence of alcohol, drugs, or other substances when transporting a child under the age of
26 14 years; to provide for the admissibility of certain evidence; to provide that legal entitlement
27 to use alcohol, marijuana, or other drugs shall not constitute a defense; to provide that certain

1 pleas shall constitute prior convictions for sentencing purposes; to provide for the adoption
2 of such laws by ordinance by political subdivisions; to provide for the discretion of the court
3 to accept certain pleas; to provide for the publication of the photographs and fact of
4 conviction for certain offenders; to provide for the seizure and forfeiture of certain vehicles
5 operated by certain violators; to provide for related matters; to amend various provisions of
6 the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to conform such provisions to the provisions
7 of this Act; to provide for the applicability and effect of this Act; to provide an effective date;
8 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 **PART I.**

11 **SECTION 1-1.**

12 Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, is
13 amended by adding a new Code Section 40-1-8 to read as follows:

14 "40-1-8.

15 (a) The State of Georgia considers that any person who drives or is in actual physical
16 control of any vehicle in violation of the laws of this state by consuming a prohibited level
17 of alcohol or by consuming any other drug constitutes a direct and immediate threat to the
18 welfare and safety of the general public.

19 (b) Any person who operates a motor vehicle upon the highways or elsewhere throughout
20 this state shall be deemed to have given consent to a chemical test or tests of his or her
21 blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance for the purpose of determining the presence
22 of alcohol or any other drug.

23 (c) Any person who is dead, unconscious, or otherwise in a condition rendering such
24 person incapable of refusal shall be deemed not to have withdrawn the consent provided
25 by subsection (b) of this Code section, and the chemical test or tests of his or her blood,
26 breath, urine, or other bodily substance may be administered as provided in Article 9 of
27 Chapter 5 of this title."

28 **SECTION 1-2.**

29 Said title is further amended by adding a new Article 9 to Chapter 5, relating to drivers'
30 licenses, to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 9

40-5-200.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Adequate breath sample' means a breath sample sufficient to cause the breath-testing instrument to produce a printed alcohol concentration analysis.

(2) 'Law enforcement officer' means any peace officer, jail officer, juvenile correctional officer, or law enforcement support personnel, as such terms are defined by Code Section 35-8-2, or any individual possessing a valid permit issued by the Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation to administer breath tests.

(3) 'Medical facility' means a hospital, clinical laboratory, medical clinic, or similar medical institution.

40-5-201.

A law enforcement officer is authorized to obtain one or more chemical tests of a person's blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance for the purpose of determining the presence of alcohol or any other drug if there are reasonable grounds to believe that such person operated or was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle in violation of any of the provisions of Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title. The law enforcement officer shall designate which test or tests shall be administered.

40-5-202.

(a) Prior to the administration of chemical tests to a person pursuant to this article, the implied consent notice as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section shall be read to such person.

(b) The notices provided in subsections (c) and (d) of this Code section shall be read in their entirety but need not be read exactly so long as the substance of the notice remains unchanged. If such notice is used to advise a person of his or her rights regarding the administration of chemical testing, such person shall be deemed to have been properly advised of his or her rights under this Code section. The informing of or failure to inform the accused person concerning the implied consent law shall not affect the admissibility of such results in any case, including a prosecution for a violation of Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title. The informing of an accused person concerning the implied consent law shall only have application to and be relevant at a hearing concerning revocation of the driver's license of said person for a violation of the implied consent law.

1 (c) At the time a chemical test or tests are requested, the following implied consent notice
2 shall be read to the person:

3 'Georgia law requires you to submit to state administered chemical tests of your blood,
4 breath, urine, or other bodily substance for the purpose of determining if you are
5 operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs or with a prohibited
6 substance in your body. If you submit to this testing, the results may be used against you
7 in a court of law or in an administrative proceeding. If you refuse to submit to this
8 testing, your Georgia driver's license or privilege to drive on the highways of this state
9 may be suspended for a minimum period of one year and your refusal may be used as
10 evidence against you. If you submit to the state's testing, you are entitled to additional
11 chemical tests of your blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance at your own expense
12 and from qualified personnel of your own choosing. Will you submit to the state
13 administered testing under the implied consent law?'

14 (d) In addition to the implied consent notice, if the person is driving, operating, or in
15 physical control of a commercial motor vehicle, the following notice shall be read:

16 'If you submit to testing and the results indicate the presence of any alcohol, you will also
17 be issued an out-of-service order and will be prohibited from operating a commercial
18 motor vehicle for 24 hours. If the results indicate an alcohol concentration of 0.04 grams
19 or more, you will be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a
20 minimum period of one year.'

21 (e) If the person submits to the state administered test or tests, such person may have a
22 qualified person of such person's choosing administer chemical tests in addition to any
23 tests administered at the direction of a law enforcement officer. The justifiable failure or
24 inability to obtain an additional test shall not preclude the admission of evidence relating
25 to the test or tests taken at the direction of a law enforcement officer.

26 (f) If the person refuses to submit to the state administered test authorized by this Code
27 section, nothing in this article shall be deemed to preclude the acquisition or admission of
28 such evidence by any means authorized by the Constitution or laws of this state or of the
29 United States.

30 (g) Upon the request of the person who shall submit to a chemical test or tests designated
31 by a law enforcement officer, a copy of the results of the test or tests shall be made
32 available to such person or such person's attorney.

33 40-5-203.

34 (a) Any test authorized by Code Section 40-5-201 shall be performed according to methods
35 approved by the Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.

(b) Any test of a person's breath shall be performed on a machine approved by the Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation which machine shall be operated with all its electronic and operating components prescribed by its manufacturer properly attached and in good working order. Such test shall be performed by an individual possessing a valid permit issued by the Division of Forensic Sciences for such purpose.

(c) The Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation shall approve satisfactory techniques or methods to ascertain the qualifications and competence of individuals to conduct analyses and to issue permits, along with requirements for properly operating and maintaining any testing instruments, and to issue certificates certifying that instruments have met those requirements, which certificates and permits shall be subject to termination or revocation at the discretion of the Division of Forensic Sciences.

(d) In all cases where a law enforcement officer designates breath testing, two sequential breath samples shall be requested for the testing of alcohol concentration. For either or both of these sequential samples to be admissible in the state's or plaintiff's case-in-chief, the readings shall not differ from each other by an alcohol concentration of greater than 0.020 grams and the lower of the two results shall be determinative for accusation and indictment purposes and administrative license suspension purposes. No more than two sequential series of a total of two adequate breath samples each shall be requested by the law enforcement officer. A refusal to give an adequate sample or samples on any subsequent breath, blood, urine, or other bodily substance test shall not affect the admissibility of the results of any prior samples.

40-5-204.

(a) Each time an approved breath-testing instrument is inspected, the inspector shall prepare a certificate which shall be signed under oath by the inspector and which shall include the following language:

'This breath-testing instrument (serial no. _____) was thoroughly inspected, tested, and standardized by the undersigned on (date _____) and all of its electronic and operating components prescribed by its manufacturer are properly attached and are in good working order.'

(b) When properly prepared and executed, as prescribed in this Code section, the certificate shall, notwithstanding any other provision of law, be self-authenticating, shall be admissible in any court of law, and shall satisfy the requirements of this Code section and Code Section 40-5-203.

40-5-205.

(a) In all cases where a law enforcement officer designates blood testing pursuant to Code Section 40-5-202 for the purpose of determining the alcohol or other drug content, the sample may be drawn by a physician, physician's assistant, qualified technician, chemist, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, medical technologist, medical laboratory technician, emergency medical technician, certified paramedic, phlebotomist, or other personnel trained to draw blood.

(b) For the purpose of establishing that a person was qualified to draw blood at the time the blood was drawn, the following shall be admissible as evidence:

(1) Certification by the office of the Secretary of State or by the Department of Human Resources that a person who drew blood was licensed or certified in accordance with the laws, rules, or regulations of this state;

(2) Records of a medical facility or employer, which records are duly certified by the custodian of such records as provided by Code Section 24-7-8, that certify that the person who drew the blood was properly trained and authorized to draw blood as an employee of the medical facility or employer;

(3) Testimony, under oath, of the person who drew the blood; or

(4) Testimony, under oath, of the supervisor of the person who drew the blood or the medical records custodian that the person who drew the blood was properly trained and authorized to draw blood as an employee of the medical facility or employer.

(c) A medical facility, physician, physician's assistant, qualified technician, chemist, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, medical technologist, medical laboratory technician, emergency medical technician, certified paramedic, phlebotomist, or other personnel trained to draw blood; or a duly licensed clinical laboratory director, supervisor, technologist, technician, or employer thereof; or other person assisting a law enforcement officer shall not incur any civil, criminal, or administrative liability as a result of the withdrawal of a blood specimen pursuant to generally accepted medical practices when requested in writing by a law enforcement officer or directed by a court of competent jurisdiction, regardless of whether the subject resisted administration of the test. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, obtaining a blood sample pursuant to this article shall not constitute the practice of medicine or any other profession relating to health care which is regulated, licensed, or certified by the state.

(d) No privilege shall exist with regard to the disclosure by medical personnel to a law enforcement officer or prosecuting attorney of the results of a chemical test of a person's blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance for the purpose of determining the alcohol or drug content of a person's blood irrespective of whether such test was done at the request of a treating physician, other medical personnel, or a law enforcement officer.

1 40-5-206.

2 (a) Whenever any resident or nonresident person is charged with a violation of Part 2 of
3 Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, the law enforcement officer shall take the driver's
4 license of the person so charged. The driver's license shall be attached to the court's copy
5 of the uniform traffic citation and complaint form and shall be forwarded to the court
6 having jurisdiction of the offense unless the law enforcement officer is required to submit
7 a report to the department pursuant to Code Section 40-5-207. A copy of the uniform
8 traffic citation and complaint form shall be forwarded, within ten days of issue, to the
9 department. Taking the driver's license as required in this Code section shall not prohibit
10 any law enforcement officer or agency from requiring any cash bond authorized by Article
11 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 17.

12 (b) At the time the law enforcement officer takes the driver's license, the officer shall issue
13 a temporary driving permit to the person as follows:

14 (1) If the driver refuses to submit to a test or tests to determine the presence of alcohol
15 or drugs as required by this article, the officer shall issue a 30 day temporary driving
16 permit;

17 (2) If the driver's license is required to be suspended under Code Section 40-5-208, the
18 officer shall issue a 30 day temporary driving permit; or

19 (3) If the test or tests administered pursuant to this article indicate an alcohol
20 concentration less than the level for an administrative suspension of the license pursuant
21 to Code Section 40-5-208 but there are reasonable grounds to believe that the person
22 violated Code Section 40-6-410, the officer shall issue a 180 day temporary driving
23 permit.

24 (c) A temporary driving permit issued pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall
25 be valid for the stated period or until the person's driving privilege is suspended or revoked
26 under any provision of this title. The department, at its sole discretion, may delay the
27 expiration date of the temporary driving permit, but in no event shall this delay extend
28 beyond the date when such person's driving privilege is suspended or revoked under any
29 provision of this title. The department shall by rules and regulations establish the
30 conditions under which the expiration of the temporary driving permit may be delayed.

31 (d)(1) If the person is convicted of violating or enters a plea of nolo contendere to a
32 violation of any of the provisions of Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, the
33 court shall, within ten days, forward the person's driver's license and the record of the
34 disposition of the case to the department. If such person is in possession of a temporary
35 driving permit issued pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section, the court shall also
36 require the person to surrender such temporary driving permit instantaner.

(2) If the person is not convicted of violating or does not enter a plea of nolo contendere to a violation of any of the provisions of Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title and the court is in possession of the driver's license, the court shall return the driver's license to the person unless the license is in suspension for any other offense, in which case the court shall forward the license to the department for disposition.

40-5-207.

(a) A law enforcement officer shall submit a report to the department if:

(1) A person submits to a chemical test upon the request of a law enforcement officer and the test results indicate that a suspension or disqualification is required under this article; or

(2) A person refuses to submit to a chemical test designated by a law enforcement officer as provided in this article.

(b) A report submitted pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall be in writing, signed by a law enforcement officer and in such form as the department shall prescribe. Such report may be submitted electronically in accordance with Chapter 12 of Title 10, the 'Georgia Electronic Records and Signatures Act.' The signature of the officer, whether actual or electronic, shall be considered an attestation of the officer that the facts contained therein are true and correct.

(c) A law enforcement officer, acting on behalf of the department, shall personally serve the notice of intention to suspend or disqualify the license of the arrested person or other person refusing such test on such person at the time of the person's refusal to submit to a test or at the time at which such a test indicates that suspension or disqualification is required under Code Section 40-5-208.

(d) The law enforcement officer shall forward the person's driver's license to the department along with the notice of intent to suspend or disqualify and the report required by subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section within ten calendar days after the date of the arrest of such person. This subsection shall not apply to any person issued a 180 day temporary permit pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 40-5-206. The failure of the officer to transmit the report required by this Code section within ten calendar days shall not prevent the department from accepting such report and utilizing it in the suspension of a driver's license as provided in this article.

40-5-208.

1 (a) Upon the receipt of the report of the law enforcement officer, the department shall
2 suspend the person's driver's license, permit, or nonresident operating privilege pursuant
3 to Code Section 40-5-209 if:

4 (1) The person submitted to a chemical test at the request of a law enforcement officer
5 and the test results indicated that:

6 (A) The person had an alcohol concentration of 0.08 grams or more;

7 (B) The person had an alcohol concentration of 0.02 grams or more and the person was
8 under the age of 21; or

9 (C) The person had an alcohol concentration of 0.04 grams or more and the person was
10 operating or was in actual physical control of a moving commercial motor vehicle; or

11 (2) The person refused to submit to the chemical test requested by a law enforcement
12 officer.

13 (b) If notice has not been given by a law enforcement officer pursuant to Code Section
14 40-5-207, the department, upon receipt of the report of such officer, shall suspend the
15 person's driver's license, permit, or nonresident operating privilege or disqualify such
16 person from operating a motor vehicle and, by regular mail, at the last known address,
17 notify such person of such suspension or disqualification. The notice shall inform the
18 person of the grounds of suspension or disqualification, the effective date of the suspension
19 or disqualification, and the right to review. The notice shall be deemed received three days
20 after mailing.

21 (c) The period of suspension provided for in this Code section shall be for a minimum
22 period of one year; provided, however, that such suspension shall be subject to review as
23 provided in this chapter. If the person was operating or in actual physical control of a
24 commercial motor vehicle, the department shall disqualify the person from operating a
25 commercial motor vehicle and shall suspend the person's driver's license, permit, or
26 nonresident operating privilege, subject to review as provided for in this chapter.

27 (d) If the person is a resident without a driver's license, commercial driver's license, or
28 permit to operate a motor vehicle in this state, the department shall deny issuance of a
29 license or permit to such person for the same period provided in subsection (c) of this Code
30 section for suspension of a license or permit or disqualification to operate a commercial
31 motor vehicle, subject to review as provided for in this chapter.

32 (e) Any driver's license required to be suspended under the provisions of this Code section
33 shall be suspended subject to the following terms and conditions:

34 (1) Upon the first suspension pursuant to this Code section within the previous five
35 years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which a suspension was obtained
36 to the date of the current arrest for which a suspension is obtained, the period of

1 suspension shall be for one year. Not sooner than 30 days following the effective date
2 of suspension, the person may apply to the department for reinstatement of his or her
3 driver's license. Such license shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of
4 completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays a restoration
5 fee of \$210.00, or \$200.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail, unless such
6 conviction was a recidivist conviction in which case the restoration fee shall be \$510.00,
7 or \$500.00 when processed by mail. A driver's license suspended pursuant to this Code
8 section shall not become valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits
9 proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the
10 prescribed restoration fee;

11 (2) Upon the second suspension pursuant to this Code section within five years, as
12 measured from the dates of previous arrests for which suspensions were obtained to the
13 date of the current arrest for which a suspension is obtained, the period of suspension
14 shall be for three years. The person shall be eligible to apply to the department for license
15 reinstatement not sooner than 18 months following the effective date of suspension. Such
16 license shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol
17 or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays a restoration fee of \$210.00, or \$200.00
18 when such reinstatement is processed by mail, unless such conviction was a recidivist
19 conviction in which case the restoration fee shall be \$510.00, or \$500.00 when processed
20 by mail. A driver's license suspended pursuant to this Code section shall not become
21 valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI
22 Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the prescribed restoration fee;
23 and

24 (3) Upon the third or subsequent suspension pursuant to this Code section within five
25 years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which suspensions were
26 obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a suspension is obtained, the period
27 of suspension shall be for five years. A driver's license suspended pursuant to this Code
28 section shall not become valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits
29 proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the
30 prescribed restoration fee. The driver may apply for a probationary license pursuant to
31 Code Section 40-5-58 after the expiration of two years from the effective date of
32 suspension.

33 (f) An administrative license suspension pursuant to this Code section shall be counted
34 toward fulfillment of any period of suspension subsequently imposed as a result of a
35 conviction of violating Code Section 40-6-410, 40-6-411, 40-6-412, or 40-6-413 which
36 arises out of the same violation for which the administrative license suspension was

1 imposed. An administrative license suspension pursuant to this Code section shall run
2 concurrently with any revocation of such driver's license pursuant to a subsequent
3 determination that such person is a habitual violator.

4 (g) In all cases in which the department may return a license to a driver prior to the
5 termination of the full period of suspension, the department may require such tests of
6 driving skill and knowledge as it determines to be proper, and the department's discretion
7 shall be guided by the driver's past driving record and performance. The driver shall pay
8 a restoration fee of \$210.00, or \$200.00 when processed by mail.

9 (h) Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, a driver with no previous
10 conviction for a violation of Code Section 40-6-410, 40-6-411, 40-6-412, or 40-6-413
11 within the previous five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which
12 convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest, during the period of
13 administrative suspension contemplated under this article, shall be entitled to a limited
14 driving permit as provided in Code Section 40-5-64.

15 40-5-209.

16 (a)(1) A person whose driver's license is suspended or a person who is disqualified from
17 operating a commercial motor vehicle pursuant to this article shall request, in writing, a
18 hearing within ten business days from the date of personal notice or receipt of notice sent
19 by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, or the right to
20 said hearing shall be deemed waived. Within 30 days after receiving a written request
21 for a hearing, the department shall hold a hearing as provided in Chapter 13 of Title 50,
22 the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.' The hearing shall be recorded.

23 (2) The scope of the hearing shall be limited to the following issues:

24 (A) Whether the law enforcement officer had reasonable grounds to believe the person
25 was driving or in actual physical control of a moving motor vehicle while under the
26 influence of alcohol, a drug, or any combination thereof or had a prohibited substance
27 in his or her body;

28 (B) Whether the law enforcement officer requested the person to submit to a state
29 administered chemical test;

30 (C) Whether at the time of the request for the test or tests the officer informed the
31 person of the person's implied consent rights and the consequence of submitting or
32 refusing to submit to such test; and

33 (D)(i) Whether the person refused the test; or

34 (ii)(I) Whether a test or tests were administered and the results indicated an alcohol
35 concentration of 0.08 grams or more or, for a person under the age of 21, an alcohol

1 concentration of 0.02 grams or more or, for a person operating or having actual
2 physical control of a commercial motor vehicle, an alcohol concentration of 0.04
3 grams or more; and

4 (II) Whether the test or tests were properly administered by an individual
5 possessing a valid permit issued by the Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia
6 Bureau of Investigation on an instrument approved by the Division of Forensic
7 Sciences or a test conducted by the Division of Forensic Sciences, including
8 whether the machine at the time of the test was operated with all its electronic and
9 operating components prescribed by its manufacturer properly attached and in good
10 working order. A copy of the operator's permit showing that the operator has been
11 trained on the particular type of instrument used and one of the original copies of
12 the test results or, where the test is performed by the Division of Forensic Sciences,
13 a copy of the crime lab report shall satisfy the requirements of this subparagraph.

14 (3) The hearing officer shall, within five calendar days after such hearing, forward a
15 decision to the department to rescind or sustain the driver's license suspension or
16 disqualification. If no hearing is requested within ten business days as specified in
17 paragraph (1) of this subsection, and the failure to request such hearing is due in whole
18 or in part to the reasonably avoidable fault of the person, the right to a hearing shall have
19 been waived. The request for a hearing shall not stay the suspension of the driver's
20 license; provided, however, that if the hearing is timely requested and is not held before
21 the expiration of the temporary permit and the delay is not due in whole or in part to the
22 reasonably avoidable fault of the person, the suspension shall be stayed until such time
23 as the hearing is held and the hearing officer's decision is made.

24 (4) In the event the person is acquitted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-410,
25 40-6-411, 40-6-412, or 40-6-413 or such charge is initially disposed of other than by a
26 conviction or plea of nolo contendere, then the suspension shall be terminated and deleted
27 from the driver's license record. An accepted plea of nolo contendere shall be entered
28 on the driver's license record and shall be considered and counted as a conviction for
29 purposes of any future violations of Code Section 40-6-410, 40-6-411, 40-6-412, or
30 40-6-413. In the event of an acquittal or other disposition other than by a conviction or
31 plea of nolo contendere, the driver's license restoration fee shall be promptly returned by
32 the department to the licensee.

33 (b) If the suspension is sustained after such a hearing, the person whose license has been
34 suspended under this Code section shall have a right to file for a judicial review of the
35 department's final decision, as provided in Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia

Administrative Procedure Act.' While such appeal is pending, the order of the department shall not be stayed.

40-5-210.

(a) Subject to the limitations of this subsection, any law enforcement officer who attends a hearing provided for by Code Section 40-5-209 for the purpose of giving testimony relative to the subject of such hearing shall be compensated in the same amount as is authorized as per diem for law enforcement officers pursuant to Code Section 24-10-27 for each day's attendance at such hearing. In the event a law enforcement officer gives testimony at two or more different hearings on the same day, such officer shall receive only \$20.00 for attendance at all hearings.

(b) The compensation provided for in this Code section shall not be paid to any law enforcement officer who is on regular duty or who is on a lunch or other break from regular duty at the time the officer attends any such hearing. The compensation provided for by this Code section shall be paid to the law enforcement officer by the department from department funds at such time and in such manner as the commissioner shall provide by rule.

(c) A law enforcement officer requesting compensation pursuant to this Code section shall submit a request for payment in such form as the commissioner shall prescribe by rule. Such form shall be signed by the officer, attesting that the officer:

(1) Appeared at the implied consent hearing as a witness or complainant on the date and time shown in the request;

(2) Was not on regular duty at the time of attending the hearing; and

(3) Has not received and will not receive compensation from such officer's regular employer for attending the hearing.

(d) A request for compensation shall be certified by the hearing officer who presided at the hearing for which compensation is requested."

SECTION 1-3.

Said title is further amended by redesignating the existing provisions of Article 15 of Chapter 6, relating to serious traffic offenses, as Part 1 and inserting a new Part 2 to read as follows:

"Part 2

40-6-410.

1 A person commits the offense of driving under the influence if such person drives or is in
2 actual physical control of any moving vehicle while:

3 (1) Under the influence of alcohol to the extent that it is less safe for the person to drive;

4 (2) Under the influence of any drug or marijuana to the extent that it is less safe for the
5 person to drive;

6 (3) Under the intentional influence of any glue, aerosol, or other toxic vapor to the extent
7 that it is less safe for the person to drive; or

8 (4) Under the combined influence of any two or more of the substances specified in
9 paragraphs (1) through (3) of this Code section to the extent that it is less safe for the
10 person to drive.

11 40-6-411.

12 A person commits the offense of driving with a prohibited substance in his or her body if
13 such person drives or is in actual physical control of any moving vehicle and such person
14 has:

15 (1) At any time within three hours after having driven or been in actual physical control
16 of any moving vehicle, an alcohol concentration of 0.08 grams or more in such person's
17 blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance from alcohol consumed before or while
18 driving or being in actual physical control of such motor vehicle; or

19 (2) Any amount of a Schedule I controlled substance, as defined in Code Section
20 16-13-25, present in such person's blood, urine, or other bodily substance, including the
21 metabolites and derivatives of such controlled substances, without regard to whether any
22 alcohol is present in the person's breath or blood.

23 40-6-412.

24 A person commits the offense of driving a commercial motor vehicle with a prohibited
25 substance in his or her body if such person drives or is in actual physical control of a
26 commercial motor vehicle and has, at any time within three hours after having driven or
27 been in actual physical control of such commercial motor vehicle, an alcohol concentration
28 of 0.04 grams or more in such person's blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance.

29 40-6-413.

30 A person commits the offense of underage driving with a prohibited substance in his or her
31 body if a person under 21 years of age drives or is in actual physical control of any moving
32 vehicle and has, at any time within three hours of driving or being in physical control of
33 such motor vehicle, an alcohol concentration of 0.02 grams or more in such person's blood,

1 breath, urine, or other bodily substance from alcohol consumed before or while driving or
2 being in actual physical control of such motor vehicle.

3 40-6-414.

4 (a) Unless otherwise provided in this part, any person convicted of any violation of Code
5 Sections 40-6-410 through 40-6-413 shall be punished as follows:

6 (1) For a first conviction with no conviction of and no plea of nolo contendere accepted
7 to a charge of violating this Code section within the previous five years, as measured
8 from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo
9 contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is
10 obtained or a plea of nolo contendere is accepted, such person shall be guilty of a
11 misdemeanor and shall be punished as follows:

12 (A) A fine of not less than \$300.00 nor more than \$1,000.00, which fine shall not,
13 except as provided in subsection (f) of this Code section, be subject to suspension, stay,
14 or probation;

15 (B) A period of imprisonment of not less than ten days nor more than 12 months,
16 which period of imprisonment may, at the sole discretion of the judge, be suspended,
17 stayed, or probated; provided, however, that, if the offender's alcohol concentration at
18 the time of the offense was 0.08 grams or more, the judge may suspend, stay, or probate
19 all but 24 hours of any term of imprisonment imposed under this subparagraph;

20 (C) Not less than 40 hours of community service; provided, however, that, for a
21 conviction for violation of Code Section 40-6-413 where the person's alcohol
22 concentration at the time of the offense was less than 0.08 grams, the period of
23 community service shall be not less than 20 hours;

24 (D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program approved by
25 the Department of Driver Services. The sponsor of any such program shall provide
26 written notice of such approval to the person upon enrollment in the program; and

27 (E) If the defendant is sentenced to a period of imprisonment for less than 12 months,
28 a period of probation of 12 months less any days during which the defendant is actually
29 incarcerated;

30 (2) For the second conviction within a five-year period of time, as measured from the
31 dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere
32 were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea
33 of nolo contendere is accepted, such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall
34 be punished as follows:

1 (A) A fine of not less than \$600.00 nor more than \$1,000.00, which fine shall not,
2 except as provided in subsection (f) of this Code section, be subject to suspension, stay,
3 or probation;

4 (B) A period of imprisonment of not less than 90 days nor more than 12 months. The
5 judge shall probate at least a portion of such term of imprisonment, in accordance with
6 subparagraph (F) of this paragraph, thereby subjecting the offender to the provisions
7 of Article 7 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 and to such other terms and conditions as the judge
8 may impose; provided, however, that the offender shall be required to serve not less
9 than 72 hours of actual incarceration;

10 (C) Not less than 240 hours of community service;

11 (D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program approved by
12 the Department of Driver Services. The sponsor of any such program shall provide
13 written notice of such approval to the person upon enrollment in the program;

14 (E) Undergoing a clinical evaluation as defined in Code Section 40-5-1 and, if
15 indicated by such evaluation, completion of a substance abuse treatment program as
16 defined in Code Section 40-5-1; and

17 (F) A period of probation of 12 months less any days during which the defendant is
18 actually incarcerated; or

19 (3) For the third or subsequent conviction within a five-year period of time, as measured
20 from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo
21 contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is
22 obtained or a plea of nolo contendere is accepted, such person shall be guilty of a
23 misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and shall be punished as follows:

24 (A) A fine of not less than \$1,000.00 and not more than \$5,000.00, which fine shall
25 not, except as provided in subsection (f) of this Code section, be subject to suspension,
26 stay, or probation;

27 (B) A mandatory period of imprisonment of not less than 120 days nor more than 12
28 months. The judge shall probate at least a portion of such term of imprisonment, in
29 accordance with subparagraph (F) of this paragraph, thereby subjecting the offender to
30 the provisions of Article 7 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 and to such other terms and
31 conditions as the judge may impose; provided, however, that the offender shall be
32 required to serve not less than 15 days of actual incarceration;

33 (C) Not less than 30 days of community service;

34 (D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program approved by
35 the Department of Driver Services. The sponsor of any such program shall provide
36 written notice of such approval to the person upon enrollment in the program;

1 (E) Undergoing a clinical evaluation as defined in Code Section 40-5-1 and, if
2 indicated by such evaluation, completion of a substance abuse treatment program as
3 defined in Code Section 40-5-1; and

4 (F) A period of probation of 12 months less any days during which the defendant is
5 actually incarcerated.

6 (b) For the purpose of imposing a sentence under subsection (a) of this Code section, a
7 plea of nolo contendere or an adjudication of delinquency based on a violation of Code
8 Sections 40-6-410 through 40-6-413 shall constitute a conviction.

9 (c) When a defendant has been convicted of violating, by a single transaction, more than
10 one of the provisions of Code Sections 40-6-410 through 40-6-413, the court shall merge
11 such offenses for the purpose of sentencing and such offenses shall be treated as a single
12 conviction for the purposes of this Code section and Code Section 40-5-58.

13 (d)(1) If the payment of the fine required under subsection (a) of this Code section will
14 impose an economic hardship on the defendant, the judge, at his or her sole discretion,
15 may order the defendant to pay such fine in installments and such order may be enforced
16 through a contempt proceeding or a revocation of any probation otherwise authorized by
17 this Code section.

18 (2) In the sole discretion of the judge, he or she may suspend up to one-half of the fine
19 imposed under paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (a) of this Code section for a second or
20 subsequent conviction conditioned upon the defendant's undergoing treatment in a
21 substance abuse treatment program as defined in Code Section 40-5-1.

22 (e) Any person convicted of violating Code Section 40-6-412 shall, in addition to any
23 disqualification resulting under Article 7 of Chapter 5 of this title, the 'Uniform
24 Commercial Driver's License Act,' be fined as provided in subsection (a) of this Code
25 section.

26 (f)(1) In any case where a person is sentenced to a period of imprisonment pursuant to
27 this Code section for a violation of Code Section 40-6-413, it is within the authority and
28 discretion of the sentencing judge in cases involving the first such violation to allow the
29 sentence to be served on weekends by weekend confinement or during the nonworking
30 hours of the defendant. A weekend shall commence and shall end in the discretion of the
31 sentencing judge, and the nonworking hours of the defendant shall be determined in the
32 discretion of the sentencing judge; provided, however, that the judge shall retain plenary
33 control of the defendant at all times during the sentence period. Confinement during the
34 nonworking hours of a defendant during any day may be counted as serving a full day of
35 the sentence.

(2) Any confinement of a person pursuant to a sentence to a period of imprisonment for a violation of Code Section 40-6-413 shall be served in a county jail; provided, however, that, for the first such violation, such person shall be kept segregated from all offenders other than those confined for violating such Code section.

40-6-415.

(a) A person commits the offense of endangering a child by driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs if such person drives or is in actual physical control of any moving vehicle while in violation of Code Section 40-6-410, 40-6-411, 40-6-412, or 40-6-413 while transporting a child under the age of 14 years.

(b) Any person convicted of a violation of this Code section shall be punished as provided in subsection (d) of Code Section 16-12-1, relating to the offense of contributing to the delinquency, unruliness, or deprivation of a child.

(c) Any violation of this Code section shall be considered a separate offense.

40-6-416.

(a) A school bus driver licensed pursuant to Article 7 of Chapter 5 of this title shall, upon a conviction of a violation of Code Section 40-6-410, 40-6-411, 40-6-412, or 40-6-413 while driving a school bus, be punished by imprisonment for a period of not less than one year nor more than five years or by a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 nor more than \$5,000.00, or both.

(b) Any violation of this Code section shall be considered a separate offense.

40-6-417.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, upon the trial of any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been committed by any person in violation of this part, the amount of alcohol in the person's blood at the time alleged, as shown by chemical analysis of the person's blood, urine, breath, or other bodily substance, may give rise to inferences as follows:

(1) If there was at that time an alcohol concentration of 0.05 grams or less, the trier of fact in its discretion may infer therefrom that the person was not under the influence of alcohol, as prohibited by paragraphs (1) and (4) of Code Section 40-6-410;

(2) If there was at that time an alcohol concentration in excess of 0.05 grams but less than 0.08 grams, such fact shall not give rise to any inference that the person was or was not under the influence of alcohol, as prohibited by paragraphs (1) and (4) of Code Section 40-6-410, but such fact may be considered by the trier of fact with other

competent evidence in determining whether the person was under the influence of alcohol, as prohibited by paragraphs (1) and (4) of Code Section 40-6-410; or

(3) If there was at that time an alcohol concentration of 0.08 grams or more, the trier of fact in its discretion may infer therefrom that the person was under the influence of alcohol, as prohibited by paragraphs (1) and (4) of Code Section 40-6-410.

(b)(1) In any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been committed in violation of paragraph (1) of Code Section 40-6-411, if there was at that time or within three hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a moving vehicle from alcohol consumed before such driving or being in actual physical control ended an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more grams in the person's blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance, the person shall be in violation of paragraph (1) of Code Section 40-6-411.

(2) In any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been committed by any person in violation of Code Section 40-6-412, if there was at that time or within three hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a moving vehicle from alcohol consumed before such driving or being in actual physical control ended an alcohol concentration of 0.04 grams or more in the person's blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance, the person shall be in violation of Code Section 40-6-412.

(3) In any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been committed by any person in violation of Code Section 40-6-413, if there was at that time or within three hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a moving vehicle from alcohol consumed before such driving or being in actual physical control ended an alcohol concentration of 0.02 grams or more in the person's blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance, the person shall be in violation of Code Section 40-6-413.

(c) In any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been committed by any person in violation of Code Section 40-6-410, the refusal of the defendant to submit to a chemical analysis of his or her blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance, or the failure to provide an adequate sample, shall be admissible in evidence against the person. The trier of fact, in its discretion, may infer from such refusal that any test given would have shown the presence of alcohol, drugs, or other prohibited substances.

40-6-418.

The fact that any person charged with violating any of the provisions of this part is or has been legally entitled to use alcohol, marijuana, or a drug shall not constitute a defense against any charge of violating this part.

1 40-6-419.

2 (a) Any conviction of or plea of nolo contendere to a violation of any local ordinance
3 adopted pursuant to Article 14 of this chapter, which ordinance adopts the provisions of
4 this part, shall be deemed to be a prior conviction under this part.

5 (b) Any conviction of or plea of nolo contendere to a violation of former Code Section
6 40-6-391, or any local ordinance adopted pursuant to Article 14 of this chapter, which
7 ordinance adopted the provisions of former Code Section 40-6-391, shall be deemed to be
8 a prior conviction under this part.

9 (c) Any conviction of or plea of nolo contendere to a violation of any previously or
10 currently existing law of this state or its political subdivisions or authorities; of the United
11 States or its territories, dominions, and possessions; or of the several states or the political
12 subdivisions of such states which, at the time such violation occurred, was the same or
13 substantially conformed to the laws of this state shall be deemed to be a prior conviction
14 under this part. For the purposes of this part, a conviction or plea of nolo contendere in a
15 tribal court shall be deemed to be conviction by a court of the United States.

16 40-6-420.

17 (a) The decision to accept a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of violating the provisions
18 of this part shall be at the sole discretion of the judge; but, if such plea is accepted, the
19 penalties provided for in Code Section 40-6-414 shall be imposed; provided, however, that
20 no such plea of nolo contendere shall be accepted if the person is charged with violating
21 the provisions of Code Section 40-6-410, 40-6-411, 40-6-412, or 40-6-413 and had an
22 alcohol concentration of more than 0.15 grams at any time within three hours after driving
23 or being in control of any moving vehicle from alcohol consumed before such driving or
24 being in control ended.

25 (b) If the defendant has not been convicted of or had a plea of nolo contendere accepted
26 to a charge of violating the provisions of Code Section 40-6-410, 40-6-411, 40-6-412, or
27 40-6-413 within the previous five years and if the plea of nolo contendere shall be used as
28 provided in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-63, no such plea shall be
29 accepted unless, at a minimum, the following conditions are met:

30 (1) The defendant has filed a verified petition with the court requesting that such plea be
31 accepted and setting forth the facts and special circumstances necessary to enable the
32 judge to determine that accepting such plea is in the best interest of justice; and

33 (2) The judge has reviewed the defendant's driving records that are on file with the
34 Department of Driver Services.

(c) The judge, as part of the record of the disposition of the charge, shall set forth, under seal of the court, his or her reasons for accepting the plea of nolo contendere.

(d) The record of the disposition of the case, including the ruling required in subsection (c) of this Code section, shall be forwarded to the Department of Driver Services within ten days after disposition.

(e) If a plea of nolo contendere is accepted under the conditions set forth in subsection (b) of this Code section, the defendant's driver's license shall be forwarded to the Department of Driver Services as provided in subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-206.

40-6-421.

The provisions of Code Section 17-10-3, relating to general punishment for misdemeanors including traffic offenses, and the provisions of Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 42, relating to probation of first offenders, shall not apply to any person convicted or adjudicated of violating any provision of this article.

40-6-422.

(a) Notwithstanding the limits set forth in any municipal charter, any municipal court of any municipality shall be authorized to impose the punishments provided for in Code Section 40-6-414 upon a conviction of violating Code Sections 40-6-410 through 40-6-413 or upon a conviction of violating any ordinance adopting the provisions of this article.

(b) Any court authorized to hear cases involving violations of Code Sections 40-6-410 through 40-6-413 shall be authorized to exercise the power to probate, suspend, or stay any sentence imposed. Such power shall, however, be limited to the conditions and limitations imposed by Code Section 40-6-414.

40-6-423.

(a) In addition to any other provisions of law, the clerk of the court in which a person is convicted a second or subsequent time of a violation of this article within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea of nolo contendere is accepted, shall cause to be published a notice of conviction for each such person convicted. Such notices of conviction shall be published in the manner of legal notices in the legal organ of the county in which such person resides or, in the case of nonresidents, in the legal organ of the county in which the person was convicted. Such notice of conviction shall be one column wide by two inches long and shall contain the photograph taken by the arresting law enforcement agency at the time of

1 arrest, name and address of the convicted person, and the date, time, place of arrest, and
2 disposition of the case and shall be published once in the legal organ of the appropriate
3 county in the second week following such conviction or as soon thereafter as publication
4 may be made.

5 (b) The convicted person for which a notice of conviction is published pursuant to this
6 Code section shall be assessed \$25.00 for the cost of publication of such notice and such
7 assessment shall be imposed at the time of conviction in addition to any other fine imposed
8 pursuant to this Code section.

9 (c) The clerk of the court, the publisher of any legal organ which publishes a notice of
10 conviction, and any other person involved in the publication of an erroneous notice of
11 conviction shall be immune from civil or criminal liability for such erroneous publication,
12 provided that such publication was made in good faith.

13 40-6-424.

14 Upon the trial of any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to
15 have been committed by any person in violation of this part, evidence of the amount of
16 alcohol or drug in a person's blood, urine, breath, or other bodily substance obtained in
17 accordance with the provisions of this part shall be admissible.

18 40-6-425.

19 (a) Except as provided in this Code section, any motor vehicle operated by a person who
20 has been declared a habitual violator for three violations of any of the provisions of this
21 part and whose license has been revoked is declared to be contraband and subject to
22 forfeiture to the state, as provided in this Code section.

23 (b) Any motor vehicle subject to forfeiture under subsection (a) of this Code section shall
24 be seized upon determination by any peace officer or law enforcement agency of this state
25 or any political subdivision thereof who has the power to make arrests and whose duty it
26 is to enforce this part that said motor vehicle is contraband as provided in subsection (a)
27 of this Code section. When a motor vehicle is seized pursuant to this Code section, the
28 peace officer seizing the same shall report the fact of seizure, within 20 days thereof, to the
29 district attorney of the judicial circuit having jurisdiction in the county where the seizure
30 was made.

31 (c) In any action under this Code section, the court may enter such restraining orders or
32 take other appropriate action, including acceptance of performance bonds, in connection
33 with any interest in the motor vehicle that is subject to forfeiture.

(d) Within 60 days of the date of the seizure of a motor vehicle pursuant to this Code section, the district attorney shall initiate a forfeiture proceeding as provided in Code Section 16-13-49. If the state fails to initiate forfeiture proceedings against property seized for forfeiture by notice of pending forfeiture within the time limits specified in this subsection and subsection (b) of this Code section, the property must be released on the request of an owner or interest holder, pending further proceedings pursuant to this Code section, unless the property is being held as evidence.

(e) An owner or interest holder, as defined by subsection (a) of Code Section 16-13-49, may establish as a defense to the forfeiture of property which is subject to forfeiture under this Code section the applicable provisions of subsection (e) or (f) of Code Section 16-13-49.

(f) Property which is forfeited pursuant to this Code section shall be disposed of as provided in Code Section 16-13-49.

(g) The proceeds arising from such sale shall be deposited into the general treasury of the state or any other governmental unit whose law enforcement agency it was that originally seized the motor vehicle. It is the intent of the General Assembly that, where possible, proceeds deposited into the state treasury should be used and that proceeds vested in any local governmental unit shall be applied to fund alcohol or drug treatment, rehabilitation, and prevention and education programs, after making the necessary expenditures for:

(1) Any cost incurred in the seizure;

(2) The costs of the court and its officers; and

(3) Any costs incurred in the storage, advertisement, maintenance, or care of the motor vehicle.

(h) In any case where a motor vehicle which is the only family vehicle is determined to be subject to forfeiture, the court may, if it determines that the financial hardship to the family as a result of the forfeiture and sale outweighs the benefit to the state from such forfeiture, order the title to the vehicle transferred to such other family member who is a duly licensed operator and who requires the use of such vehicle for employment or family transportation purposes. Such transfer shall be subject to any valid liens and shall be granted only once."

PART II

SECTION 2-1.

Code Section 6-2-5.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to operation or physical control of aircraft while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, is amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(b) Any person arrested for violation of this Code section shall, at the request of a law enforcement officer of the state or any political subdivision, be administered a test as provided by and subject to the restrictions of ~~subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-392~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40."

SECTION 2-2.

Code Section 12-3-315 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the exercise of police powers by the Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority, is amended by striking subsection (c) and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (c) to read as follows:

"(c) The maximum punishment for violation of such an ordinance shall be stated in the ordinance and shall not exceed a fine of \$500.00 or imprisonment for 60 days, or both, except that an ordinance adopting the provisions of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 shall provide the same punishment as provided by ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ for violations of that ~~Code section~~ part."

SECTION 2-3.

Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, is amended by striking subsection (b.1) of Code Section 15-11-66, relating to disposition of delinquent child, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b.1) to read as follows:

"(b.1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section, at the conclusion of the dispositional hearing provided in subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-65, if the child is found to have committed a delinquent offense which would be a violation of ~~subsection (k) of Code Section 40-6-391~~ 40-6-413 if committed by an adult, the court shall make an order of disposition which, for purposes of the child's rehabilitation, imposes the same penalty, period of confinement, and period of community service provided in Code Section ~~40-6-391~~ 40-6-413 which are applicable to an adult convicted of violating ~~subsection (k) of Code Section 40-6-391~~ 40-6-413, with any such period of confinement to be served in an institution, camp, or other facility for delinquent children operated under the direction of the court or other local public authority or, if no such facility is available, in a regional youth detention center, provided that such child shall be kept segregated from all children other than those confined for violating ~~subsection (k) of Code Section 40-6-391~~ 40-6-413. A previous finding that the child committed such a delinquent offense shall be deemed a previous conviction for purposes of this subsection. The judge shall have the same authority and discretion regarding allowing service of confinement on weekends or during nonworking hours as is provided under subsection (a) of Code Section 17-10-3.1."

SECTION 2-4.

Said title is further amended by striking subsection (a) of Code Section 15-21-112, relating to additional penalty for violation of Code Section 40-6-391, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) In every case in which any state court; probate court; juvenile court; municipal court, whether known as mayor's, recorder's, or police court; or superior court in this state shall impose a fine, which shall be construed to include costs, for a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ any of the provisions of Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or a violation of an ordinance of a political subdivision of this state which has adopted by reference ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ said part pursuant to Article 14 of Chapter 6 of Title 40, there shall be imposed as an additional penalty a sum equal to the lesser of \$26.00 or 11 percent of the original fine."

SECTION 2-5.

Said title is further amended by striking subsection (a) of Code Section 15-21-149, relating to fines, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) In every case in which any court in this state shall impose a fine, which shall be construed to include costs, for any violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or for violations of ordinances of political subdivisions which have adopted by reference ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40, there shall be imposed as an additional penalty a sum equal to 10 percent of the original fine."

SECTION 2-6.

Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is amended by striking subparagraph (c)(2)(S) of Code Section 16-10-51, relating to bail jumping, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subparagraph (c)(2)(S) to read as follows:

"(S) ~~Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, as provided in Code Section 40-6-391~~ Operating a motor vehicle in violation of Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40;".

SECTION 2-7.

Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, is amended by striking subparagraph (b)(2)(A) of Code Section 17-6-1, relating to where offenses are bailable, procedure, schedule of bails, and appeal bonds, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subparagraph (b)(2)(A) to read as follows:

“(A) A person charged with violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ any of the provisions of Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40, relating to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, whose alcohol concentration at the time of arrest, as determined by any method authorized by law, violates that provided in paragraph ~~(5) of subsection (a) (1)~~ (1) of Code Section ~~40-6-391~~ 40-6-411 may be detained for a period of time up to six hours after booking and prior to being released on bail or on recognizance; and”.

SECTION 2-8.

Said title is further amended by striking paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 17-6-2, relating to acceptance of bail in misdemeanor cases, and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (2) to read as follows:

“(2) The individual posting a license as collateral pursuant to this subsection shall execute an acknowledgment and agreement between the individual and the State of Georgia as bond wherein the individual agrees to appear in court to answer the charges made against the individual and acknowledges that failure to appear in court when the case is scheduled for hearing, trial, or plea shall result in a forfeiture of the individual’s license through suspension by operation of law effective upon the date of the individual’s scheduled appearance. The individual shall also be notified that failure to appear in court as required may result in criminal prosecution for bail jumping as provided in Code Section 16-10-51. After execution of the agreement, except as otherwise provided by law, the license shall be returned to the individual and the original agreement shall be delivered to the prosecuting attorney for filing with the accusation, citation, or dismissal. Whenever an individual has been charged with a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, then the provisions of Code Section ~~40-5-67~~ 40-5-206 shall apply.”

SECTION 2-9.

Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 17-10-3.1, relating to punishment for violations of Code Section 40-6-391, and inserting a new Code Section 17-10-3.1 to read as follows:

"17-10-3.1.

(a) In any case where a person is sentenced to a period of imprisonment under Code Section ~~40-6-391~~ 40-6-413 upon conviction for violating ~~subsection (k)~~ of said Code section, it is within the authority and discretion of the sentencing judge in cases involving the first such violation to allow the sentence to be served on weekends by weekend

1 confinement or during the nonworking hours of the defendant. A weekend shall commence
 2 and shall end in the discretion of the sentencing judge, and the nonworking hours of the
 3 defendant shall be determined in the discretion of the sentencing judge; provided, however,
 4 that the judge shall retain plenary control of the defendant at all times during the sentence
 5 period. Confinement during the nonworking hours of a defendant during any day may be
 6 counted as serving a full day of the sentence.

7 (b) Any confinement of a person pursuant to a sentence to a period of imprisonment under
 8 Code Section ~~40-6-391~~ 40-6-413 upon conviction for violating ~~subsection (k)~~ of said Code
 9 section shall be served in a county jail, provided that for the first such violation such person
 10 shall be kept segregated from all offenders other than those confined for violating
 11 ~~subsection (k)~~ of Code Section ~~40-6-391~~ 40-6-413."

12 SECTION 2-10.

13 Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a) and (h) of Code Section 17-15-7,
 14 relating to persons eligible for victim compensation awards, and inserting in lieu thereof new
 15 subsections (a) and (h) to read as follows:

16 "(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, the following persons are eligible
 17 for awards pursuant to this chapter:

18 (1) A victim;

19 (2) A dependent spouse or child of a victim;

20 (2.1) For purposes of an award under subsection (k) of Code Section 17-15-8, any
 21 member of the immediate family of a victim of homicide by vehicle caused by a violation
 22 of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40;

23 (3) Any person who goes to the aid of another and suffers physical injury or death as a
 24 direct result of acting, not recklessly, to prevent the commission of a crime, to apprehend
 25 lawfully a person reasonably suspected of having committed a crime, or to aid the victim
 26 of a crime or any person who is injured or killed while aiding or attempting to aid a law
 27 enforcement officer in the prevention of crime or apprehension of a criminal at the
 28 officer's request;

29 (4) Any person who is a victim of family violence as defined by Code Section 19-13-1
 30 and anyone who is a victim as a result of a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of
 31 Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40; or

32 (5) Any person who is not a direct service provider and who assumes the cost of an
 33 eligible expense of a victim regardless of such person's relationship to the victim or
 34 whether such person is a dependent of the victim."

"(h) A victim or claimant who has been convicted of a felony involving criminally injurious conduct and who is currently serving a sentence therefor shall not be considered eligible to receive an award under this chapter. For purposes of this subsection, 'criminally injurious conduct' means an act which occurs or is attempted in this state that results in personal injury or death to a victim, which act is punishable by fine, imprisonment, or death. Such term shall not include acts arising out of the operation of motor vehicles, boats, or aircraft unless the acts were committed with the intent to inflict injury or death or unless the acts committed were in violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40. For the purposes of this subsection, a person shall be deemed to have committed criminally injurious conduct notwithstanding that by reason of age, insanity, drunkenness, or other reason, he or she was legally incapable of committing a crime."

SECTION 2-11.

Said title is further amended by striking paragraph (1) of subsection (k) of Code Section 17-15-8, relating to amount of victim compensation award, and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (1) to read as follows:

"(k)(1) In addition to any other award authorized by this Code section, in any case where a deceased was a victim of homicide by vehicle caused by a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 on any road which is part of the state highway system, upon request of the next of kin of the deceased, an award of compensation in the form of a memorial sign erected by the Department of Transportation as provided by this subsection shall be paid to an eligible claimant."

SECTION 2-12.

Said title is further amended by striking paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Code Section 17-15-10, relating to the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund, and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (1) to read as follows:

"(b)(1) The fund shall consist of all moneys received pursuant to Article 7 of Chapter 21 of Title 15 from the assessment of additional penalties in cases involving a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or a violation of an ordinance of a political subdivision of this state which has adopted by reference ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 pursuant to Article 14 of Chapter 6 of Title 40."

SECTION 2-13.

Code Section 20-2-984.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to reports of criminal offenses to local boards of education, is amended by striking paragraph (6) of subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (6) to read as follows:

"(6) Unlawfully operating a motor vehicle after being declared a habitual violator for violating Code Section 40-5-54, ~~40-6-391~~, ~~40-6-392~~, or 40-6-394, or Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40, or any combination of such ~~Code sections~~ provisions."

SECTION 2-14.

Code Section 33-9-43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to reduction in premiums for motor vehicle liability, is amended by striking paragraph (3) of subsection (c) and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (3) to read as follows:

"(3) Had that person's driver's license suspended for refusal to submit to chemical tests pursuant to ~~Code Section 40-5-67.1~~ Article 9 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 and that suspension has not been reversed, if appealed from."

SECTION 2-15.

Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles, is amended by striking subsection (a) of Code Section 40-2-136, relating to surrender of license plates upon second or subsequent convictions of driving under the influence, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) Upon any person's second or subsequent conviction of violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the court shall issue an order requiring that the license plates of all motor vehicles registered in such person's name be surrendered to the court. The court shall notify the commissioner within ten days after issuing any such order, and the commissioner shall revoke each such license plate upon receiving such notice. The court shall issue a receipt for the surrendered license plate or plates. The court shall forward the surrendered license plate or plates to the local tag agent immediately upon receipt. For purposes of this subsection, a plea of nolo contendere shall constitute a conviction."

SECTION 2-16.

Said title is further amended by striking paragraphs (4) and (9) of Code Section 40-5-1, relating to definitions regarding drivers' licenses, and inserting in lieu thereof new paragraphs (4), (9), and (13.1) to read as follows:

1 ~~"(4) 'Code Section 40-6-391' means Code Section 40-6-391 of the Official Code of~~
2 ~~Georgia Annotated, as now or hereafter amended, any federal law or regulation~~
3 ~~substantially conforming to or parallel with the offense covered under Code Section~~
4 ~~40-6-391, any local ordinance adopted pursuant to Article 14 of Chapter 6 of this title,~~
5 ~~which ordinance adopts the provisions of Code Section 40-6-391, or any previously~~
6 ~~existing or existing law of this or any other state, which law was or is substantially~~
7 ~~conforming to or parallel with Code Section 40-6-391~~ Reserved."

8 "(9) 'DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program' means a program certified by
9 the Department of Driver Services which consists of two components: assessment and
10 intervention. In the case of a conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a violation of ~~Code~~
11 ~~Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title or in any other instance in
12 which a person may be referred to a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program,
13 the program administers the assessment component and refers such offender to the
14 intervention component."

15 "(13.1) 'Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title' means Part 2 of Article 15 of
16 Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, as now or hereafter
17 amended, any federal law or regulation substantially conforming to or parallel with the
18 offenses covered under Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, any local ordinance
19 adopted pursuant to Article 14 of Chapter 6 of this title, which ordinance adopts the
20 provisions of Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, or any previously existing or
21 existing law of this or any other state, which law was or is substantially conforming to or
22 parallel with Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title."

23 **SECTION 2-17.**

24 Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a) and (c) of Code Section 40-5-2,
25 relating to keeping of records of applications for licenses and information on licensees, and
26 inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a) and (c) to read as follows:

27 "(a) The department shall maintain records regarding the drivers' licenses and permits
28 issued by the department under this chapter. The drivers' records maintained by the
29 department shall include:

30 (1) A record of every application for a license received by it and suitable indexes
31 containing:

32 (A) All applications granted; and

33 (B) The name of every licensee whose license has been canceled, suspended, or
34 revoked by the department and after each such name shall note the reasons for such
35 action;

1 (2) Drivers' records received from other jurisdictions. Upon receipt of such driver's
2 record, it shall become a part of such driver's record in this state and shall have the same
3 force and effect as though entered on the driver's record in this state in the original
4 instance; and

5 (3) Records of all accident reports and abstracts of court records of convictions of any
6 offense listed in subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-54, Code Section 40-6-10, driving
7 on a suspended license in violation of Code Section 40-5-121, administrative license
8 suspension pursuant to ~~Code Sections 40-5-67 through 40-5-67.2~~ Article 9 of this chapter,
9 Code Section 40-5-75, Chapter 9 of this title, the 'Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility
10 Act,' and Chapter 34 of Title 33, the 'Georgia Motor Vehicle Accident Reparations Act,'
11 any felony offense under this title, any offense committed while operating a commercial
12 motor vehicle, serious traffic offenses, or other offenses requiring the assessment of
13 points on the driving record that are received by it under the laws of this state and in
14 connection therewith maintain convenient records or make suitable notations in order that
15 an individual record of each licensee showing the convictions of such licensee and the
16 traffic accidents in which such licensee has been involved shall be readily ascertainable
17 and available for the consideration of the department upon any application for renewal
18 of license and at other suitable times. For purposes of issuing a driver's operating record
19 to the public as provided in this Code section, the period of calculation for compilation
20 of such report shall be determined by the date of arrest."

21 "(c)(1) The driver's record provided by the department shall include an enumeration of
22 any accidents in which the individual was convicted of a moving traffic violation, such
23 moving traffic violation convictions, and information pertaining to financial
24 responsibility. The department shall furnish a driver's operating record or personal
25 information from a driver's record under the following circumstances:

26 (A) With the written instructions and consent of the driver upon whom the operating
27 record has been made and compiled;

28 (B)(i) Pursuant to a written request or a request made in accordance with a contract
29 with the Georgia Technology Authority for immediate on-line electronic furnishing
30 of information, for use by any insurer or insurance support organization, or by a
31 self-insured entity, or its agents, employees, or contractors, in connection with claims
32 investigation activities, antifraud activities, rating, or underwriting involving the
33 driver; provided, however, that notwithstanding the definition of personal information
34 under Code Section 40-5-1, personal information furnished under this division shall
35 be limited to name, address, driver identification number, and medical or disability
36 information. The person who makes a request for a driver's operating record shall

1 identify himself or herself and shall have certified or affirmed that the information
2 contained in the record will be used only for the purpose specified in the request.
3 Further, the person making the request shall certify or affirm that he or she has on file
4 an application for insurance or for the renewal or amendment thereof involving the
5 driver or drivers; or

6 (ii) For the purpose of ascertaining necessary rating information by an insurance
7 agent pursuant to an insurer's contract with the Georgia Technology Authority for the
8 immediate on-line electronic furnishing of limited rating information to such insurer's
9 agents. Limited rating information furnished under this division shall include only the
10 number of violations of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of
11 this title, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating
12 substances, and the number and type of other moving traffic violations which were
13 committed by the proposed insured driver or drivers within the immediately preceding
14 three or five years, which period shall be specified by the person making the request.
15 The provisions of division (i) of this subparagraph notwithstanding, no other
16 information concerning a driver's operating record shall be released to such agents
17 for purposes of rating;

18 (B.1) The department shall implement a pilot program for 12 months to determine the
19 revenue feasibility of supplying limited rating information to agents, insurers, and
20 insurance support organizations. The department shall report the results of such pilot
21 program to the Office of Planning and Budget. Unless the Office of Planning and
22 Budget determines that the pilot program is not successful, the department shall
23 continue the program on a year-to-year basis and furnish limited rating information to
24 insurance support organizations for the same purposes as provided in division (ii) of
25 subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, pursuant to a contract with the Georgia Technology
26 Authority, provided that all other necessary requirements of this subsection have been
27 met;

28 (C) In accordance with Article 7 of this chapter, the 'Georgia Uniform Commercial
29 Driver's License Act';

30 (D) To a judge, prosecuting official, or law enforcement agency for use in
31 investigations or prosecutions of alleged criminal or unlawful activity, or to the driver's
32 licensing agency of another state; provided, however, that notwithstanding the
33 definition of personal information under Code Section 40-5-1, personal information
34 furnished to the driver's licensing agency of another state shall be limited to name,
35 address, driver identification number, and medical or disability information;

(E) Pursuant to a request from a public or private school system concerning any person currently employed or an applicant for employment as a school bus driver who agrees in writing to allow the department to release the information;

(F) With the written release of the driver, to a rental car company for use in the normal course of its business; provided, however, that notwithstanding the definition of personal information under Code Section 40-5-1, personal information furnished under this subparagraph shall be limited to name, address, driver identification number, and medical or disability information. Such access shall be provided and funded through the GeorgiaNet Division of the Georgia Technology Authority, and the department shall bear no costs associated with such access; and

(G) For use in the normal course of business by a legitimate business or its agents, employees, or contractors, but only:

(i) To verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by the individual to the business or its agents, employees, or contractors; and

(ii) If such information as so submitted is not correct or is no longer correct, to obtain the correct information, but only for the purposes of preventing fraud by, pursuing legal remedies against, or recovering on a debt or security interest against, the individual;

provided, however, that notwithstanding the definition of personal information under Code Section 40-5-1, personal information furnished under this subparagraph shall be limited to name, address, and driver identification number and shall not include photographs, fingerprints, computer images, or medical or disability information. The personal information obtained by a business under this subparagraph shall not be resold or redisclosed for any other purpose without the written consent of the individual. Furnishing of information to a business under this subparagraph shall be pursuant to a contract entered into by such business and the state which specifies, without limitation, the consideration to be paid by such business to the state for such information and the frequency of updates.

(2) Nothing in this Code section shall preclude the department from confirming or verifying the status of a driver's license or permit."

SECTION 2-18.

Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 40-5-24, relating to instruction permits, and inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

1 "(a)(1) Any resident of this state who is at least 15 years of age may apply to the
2 department for an instruction permit to operate a noncommercial Class C vehicle. The
3 department shall, after the applicant has successfully passed all parts of the examination
4 referred to in Code Section 40-5-27 other than the driving test, issue to the applicant an
5 instruction permit which shall entitle the applicant, while having such permit in his or her
6 immediate possession, to drive a Class C vehicle upon the public highways for a period
7 of two years when accompanied by a person at least 21 years of age who is licensed as
8 a driver for a commercial or noncommercial Class C vehicle, who is fit and capable of
9 exercising control over the vehicle, and who is occupying a seat beside the driver.

10 (2) A person who has been issued an instruction permit under this subsection and has
11 never been issued a Class D driver's license under subsection (b) of this Code section will
12 become eligible for a Class D driver's license under subsection (b) of this Code section
13 only if such person is at least 16 years of age, has a valid instruction permit which is not
14 under suspension, and, for a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to
15 making application for a Class D driver's license, has not been convicted of a violation
16 of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, hit and run or
17 leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on
18 highways or streets, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer,
19 reckless driving, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable
20 under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57.

21 (3) This subsection does not apply to instruction permits for the operation of
22 motorcycles.

23 (b)(1) Any resident of this state who is at least 16 years of age and who, for a period of
24 at least 12 months, had a valid instruction permit issued under subsection (a) of this Code
25 section may apply to the department for a Class D driver's license to operate a
26 noncommercial Class C vehicle if such resident has otherwise complied with all
27 prerequisites for the issuance of such Class D driver's license as provided in
28 subsection (a) of this Code section, provided that a resident at least 16 years of age who
29 has at any age surrendered to the department a valid instruction permit or driver's license
30 issued by another state or the District of Columbia or who has submitted to the
31 department proof, to the satisfaction of the department, of a valid instruction permit or
32 driver's license issued by another state or the District of Columbia may apply his or her
33 driving record under such previously issued permit or driver's license toward meeting the
34 eligibility requirements for a Class D driver's license the same as if such previously
35 issued permit or driver's license were an instruction permit issued under subsection (a)
36 of this Code section.

(2) The department shall, after all applicable requirements have been met, issue to the applicant a Class D driver's license which shall entitle the applicant, while having such license in his or her immediate possession, to drive a Class C vehicle upon the public highways of this state under the following conditions:

(A) Any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle on the public roads, streets, or highways of this state between the hours of 12:00 Midnight and 6:00 A.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable; and

(B)(i) Any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle upon the public roads, streets, or highways of this state when more than three other passengers in the vehicle who are not members of the driver's immediate family are less than 21 years of age.

(ii) During the six-month period immediately following issuance of such license, any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle upon the public roads, streets, or highways of this state when any other passenger in the vehicle is not a member of the driver's immediate family;

provided, however, that a Class D license holder shall not be charged with a violation of this paragraph alone but may be charged with violating this paragraph in addition to any other traffic offense.

(3) A person who has been issued a Class D driver's license under this subsection and has never been issued a Class C driver's license under this chapter will become eligible for a Class C driver's license under this chapter only if such person has a valid Class D driver's license which is not under suspension and, for a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to making application for a Class C driver's license, has not been convicted of a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer, reckless driving, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57 and is at least 18 years of age."

SECTION 2-19.

Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 40-5-52, relating to suspension of license or operating privilege for conduct in another state, and inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

"(a) The department shall suspend, as provided in Code Section 40-5-63, the license of any resident of this state and may suspend a nonresident's operating privilege, upon receiving

1 notice of a conviction in another state of an offense described in Code Section 40-5-54 or
2 ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title or any drug related
3 offense.

4 (b) The department is authorized to suspend or revoke the license of any resident or the
5 operating privilege of any nonresident upon receiving notice of the conviction of such
6 person in another state of an offense other than those described in Code Section 40-5-54
7 or ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title which, if committed
8 in this state, would be grounds for the suspension or revocation of a driver's license."

9 SECTION 2-20.

10 Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-5-55, relating to implied consent
11 to chemical tests, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-5-55 to read as follows:
12 "40-5-55.

13 ~~(a) The State of Georgia considers that any person who drives or is in actual physical~~
14 ~~control of any moving vehicle in violation of any provision of Code Section 40-6-391~~
15 ~~constitutes a direct and immediate threat to the welfare and safety of the general public.~~
16 ~~Therefore, any person who operates a motor vehicle upon the highways or elsewhere~~
17 ~~throughout this state shall be deemed to have given consent, subject to Code Section~~
18 ~~40-6-392, to a chemical test or tests of his or her blood, breath, urine, or other bodily~~
19 ~~substances for the purpose of determining the presence of alcohol or any other drug, if~~
20 ~~arrested for any offense arising out of acts alleged to have been committed in violation of~~
21 ~~Code Section 40-6-391 or if such person is involved in any traffic accident resulting in~~
22 ~~serious injuries or fatalities. The test or tests shall be administered at the request of a law~~
23 ~~enforcement officer having reasonable grounds to believe that the person has been driving~~
24 ~~or was in actual physical control of a moving motor vehicle upon the highways or~~
25 ~~elsewhere throughout this state in violation of Code Section 40-6-391. The test or tests~~
26 ~~shall be administered as soon as possible to any person who operates a motor vehicle upon~~
27 ~~the highways or elsewhere throughout this state who is involved in any traffic accident~~
28 ~~resulting in serious injuries or fatalities. Subject to Code Section 40-6-392, the requesting~~
29 ~~law enforcement officer shall designate which of the test or tests shall be administered,~~
30 ~~provided a blood test with drug screen may be administered to any person operating a~~
31 ~~motor vehicle involved in a traffic accident resulting in serious injuries or fatalities.~~

32 ~~(b) Any person who is dead, unconscious, or otherwise in a condition rendering such~~
33 ~~person incapable of refusal shall be deemed not to have withdrawn the consent provided~~
34 ~~by subsection (a) of this Code section, and the test or tests may be administered, subject to~~
35 ~~Code Section 40-6-392~~ Reserved."

SECTION 2-21.

Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-5-57.1, relating to suspension of licenses of persons under age 21 for certain offenses and suspension of licenses of persons under age 18 for certain point accumulations, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-5-57.1 to read as follows:

"40-5-57.1.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the driver's license of any person under 21 years of age convicted of hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer, reckless driving, any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57, purchasing an alcoholic beverage in violation of paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 3-3-23, or violation of paragraph (3) or (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section 3-3-23, or violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall be suspended

by the department as provided by this Code section; and the driver's license of any person under 18 years of age who has accumulated a violation point count of four or more points under Code Section 40-5-57 in any consecutive 12 month period shall be suspended by the department as provided by this Code section. A plea of nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this subsection. Notice of suspension shall be given by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested; or, in lieu thereof, notice may be given by personal service upon such person. Such license shall be surrendered within ten days of notification of such suspension. Notice given by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, mailed to the person's last known address shall be prima-facie evidence that such person received the required notice.

(b) A person whose driver's license has been suspended under subsection (a) of this Code section shall:

(1) Subject to the requirements of subsection (c) of this Code section and except as otherwise provided by paragraph (2) of this subsection:

(A) Upon a first such suspension, be eligible to apply for license reinstatement and, subject to payment of required fees, have his or her driver's license reinstated after six months; and

(B) Upon a second or subsequent such suspension, be eligible to apply for license reinstatement and, subject to payment of required fees, have his or her driver's license reinstated after 12 months; or

(2)(A) If the driver's license was suspended upon conviction for violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, be subject to the provisions of Code Section 40-5-63.

(B) If such driver was convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol or of having an unlawful alcohol concentration and is otherwise subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-63, then such person shall not be eligible for a limited driving permit under Code Section 40-5-64, and:

(i) If the driver's alcohol concentration at the time of the offense was less than 0.08 grams, he or she shall not be eligible for license reinstatement until the end of six months; or

(ii) If the driver's alcohol concentration at the time of the offense was 0.08 grams or more, he or she shall not be eligible for license reinstatement until the end of 12 months.

(b.1) In any case where a person's driver's license was administratively suspended as a result of the offense for which the person's driver's license has been suspended pursuant to this Code section, the administrative license suspension period and the license suspension period provided by this Code section may run concurrently, and any completed portion of such administrative license suspension period shall apply toward completion of the license suspension period provided by this Code section.

(c) Any driver's license suspended under subsection (a) of this Code section for commission of any offense other than violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall not become valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a defensive driving program approved by the department and pays a fee equivalent to that required for restoration of a suspended driver's license under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-63; provided, however, that such fee shall not be required under this subsection if such person's driver's license was administratively suspended as a result of the offense for which the person's driver's license has been suspended pursuant to this Code section and the restoration fee was paid for such administratively suspended driver's license.

(d) A suspension provided for in this Code section shall be imposed based on the person's age on the date of the conviction giving rise to the suspension."

SECTION 2-22.

Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-5-58, relating to habitual violators, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-5-58 to read as follows:

1 "40-5-58.

2 (a) As used in this Code section, 'habitual violator' means any person who has been
3 arrested and convicted within the United States three or more times within a five-year
4 period of time, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were
5 obtained to the date of the most recent arrest for which a conviction was obtained, of:

6 (1) Committing any offense covered under Code Section 40-5-54 or ~~Code Sections~~
7 ~~40-6-391 through 40-6-395~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title or violating a
8 federal law or regulation or the law of any state or a valid municipal or county ordinance
9 substantially conforming to any offense covered under Code Section 40-5-54 or ~~Code~~
10 ~~Sections 40-6-391 through 40-6-395~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title; or

11 (2) Singularly or in combination, any of the offenses described in paragraph (1) of this
12 subsection.

13 (b) When the records of the department disclose that any person has been arrested and
14 convicted of a violation of Chapter 6 of this title, or of a valid local ordinance adopted
15 pursuant thereto, of an offense occurring on or after January 1, 1976, which record of arrest
16 and conviction, when taken with and added to previous arrests and convictions of such
17 person as contained in the files of the department, reveals that such person is a habitual
18 violator as defined in subsection (a) of this Code section, the department shall forthwith
19 notify such person that upon the date of notification such person has been declared by the
20 department to be a habitual violator, and that henceforth it shall be unlawful for such
21 habitual violator to operate a motor vehicle in this state unless otherwise provided in this
22 Code section. Notice shall be given by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, with
23 return receipt requested; or, in lieu thereof, notice may be given by personal service upon
24 such person. In the event that at the time of determination the habitual violator had been
25 issued a driver's license, such license shall be revoked by such notice and shall be
26 surrendered to the department within ten days of notification of such determination. For
27 the purposes of this chapter, notice given by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery
28 with return receipt requested mailed to the person's last known address shall be prima-facie
29 evidence that such person received the required notice. In addition to the procedure set
30 forth in this subsection, the sentencing judge or prosecutor in a conviction which
31 conviction classifies the defendant as a habitual violator may, at the time of sentencing,
32 declare such defendant to be a habitual violator. The judge or prosecutor shall, when
33 declaring a defendant to be a habitual violator, then give personal notice to such defendant
34 on forms provided by the department that henceforth it shall be unlawful for such habitual
35 violator to operate a motor vehicle in this state unless otherwise provided in this Code
36 section. The judge or prosecutor, as the case may be, shall within three days forward to the

1 department the order declaring that the defendant is a habitual violator, the notice of
2 service, with the defendant's driver's license or a sworn affidavit of the defendant
3 declaring that the driver's license has been lost, and the department's copy of the uniform
4 citation or the official notice of conviction attached thereto.

5 (c)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection or in subsection (e) of this
6 Code section, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle in this state
7 after such person has received notice that his or her driver's license has been revoked as
8 provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, if such person has not thereafter obtained
9 a valid driver's license. Any person declared to be a habitual violator and whose driver's
10 license has been revoked under this Code section and who is thereafter convicted of
11 operating a motor vehicle before the department has issued such person a driver's license
12 or before the expiration of five years from such revocation, whichever occurs first, shall
13 be punished by a fine of not less than \$750.00 or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for
14 not less than one nor more than five years, or both. Any person declared to be a habitual
15 violator and whose driver's license has been revoked and who is convicted of operating
16 a motor vehicle after the expiration of five years from such revocation but before the
17 department has issued such person a driver's license shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

18 (2) Any person declared to be a habitual violator as a result of three or more convictions
19 of violations of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title
20 within a five-year period of time, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for
21 which convictions were obtained to the date of the most recent arrest for which a
22 conviction was obtained, and who is thereafter convicted of operating a motor vehicle
23 during such period of revocation, prior to the issuance of a probationary license under
24 subsection (e) of this Code section or before the expiration of five years, shall be guilty
25 of the felony of habitual impaired driving and shall be punished by a fine of not less than
26 \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one nor more than five
27 years, or both.

28 (d) Notwithstanding any contrary provisions of Code Section 17-7-95, for the purposes of
29 this Code section, any plea of nolo contendere entered and accepted after January 1, 1976,
30 shall be considered a conviction.

31 (e)(1) Notwithstanding any contrary provisions of this Code section or any other Code
32 section of this chapter, any person who has been declared a habitual violator and who has
33 had his or her driver's license revoked under subsection (b) of this Code section for a
34 period of five years and two years have expired since the date on which such person's
35 license was surrendered or an affidavit was accepted as provided in subsection (e) of

1 Code Section 40-5-61, such person may be issued a probationary driver's license for a
2 period of time not to exceed three years upon compliance with the following conditions:

3 (A) Such person has not been convicted, or pleaded nolo contendere to a charge, of
4 violating any provision of this chapter or any local ordinance relating to the movement
5 of vehicles for a period of two years immediately preceding the application for a
6 probationary driver's license;

7 (B) Such person has not been convicted, or pleaded nolo contendere to a charge, of a
8 violation of any provision of this chapter which resulted in the death or injury of any
9 individual;

10 (C) Such person has successfully completed, prior to the issuance of the probationary
11 driver's license, a defensive driving course or a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk
12 Reduction Program as designated by the department;

13 (D) Such person has not been convicted, or pleaded nolo contendere to a charge, of
14 violating any provision of Title 3, relating to alcoholic beverages, or of violating any
15 provision of Chapter 13 of Title 16, relating to controlled substances;

16 (E) Such person shall submit a sworn affidavit that such person does not excessively
17 use alcoholic beverages and does not illegally use controlled substances or marijuana.
18 It shall be a misdemeanor to falsely swear on such affidavit and, upon conviction, the
19 probationary license shall be revoked. No probationary license shall be issued during
20 the remainder of the revocation period, and no driver's license shall be issued for the
21 remainder of the original revocation period or for a period of two years from the date
22 of conviction under this subparagraph;

23 (F) Such person submits proof of financial responsibility as provided in Chapter 9 of
24 this title; and

25 (G) Refusal to issue a probationary driver's license would cause extreme hardship to
26 the applicant. For the purposes of this subsection, the term 'extreme hardship' means
27 that the applicant cannot reasonably obtain other transportation, and, therefore, the
28 applicant would be prohibited from:

29 (i) Going to his or her place of employment or performing the normal duties of his
30 or her occupation;

31 (ii) Receiving scheduled medical care or obtaining prescription drugs;

32 (iii) Attending a college or school at which he or she is regularly enrolled as a
33 student;

34 (iv) Attending regularly scheduled sessions or meetings of support organizations for
35 persons who have addiction or abuse problems related to alcohol or other drugs,
36 which organizations are recognized by the commissioner; or

(v) Attending under court order any driver education or improvement school or alcohol or drug treatment program or course approved by the court which entered the judgment of conviction resulting in revocation of his or her driver's license or by the commissioner.

(2) Application for a probationary driver's license shall be made upon such forms as the commissioner may prescribe. Such forms shall require such information as is necessary for the department to determine the need for such license. All applications shall be signed by the applicant before a person authorized to administer oaths.

(3) Upon compliance with the above conditions and the payment of a fee of \$210.00_± or \$200.00 when processed by mail, such person may be issued a probationary driver's license by the department. Upon payment of a fee in an amount the same as that provided by Code Section 40-5-25 for issuance of a Class C driver's license, a person may be issued a replacement for a lost or destroyed probationary driver's license issued to him or her.

(4) A probationary driver's license shall be endorsed with such conditions as the commissioner deems necessary to ensure that such license will be used by the licensee only to avoid the conditions of extreme hardship. Such conditions may include the following restrictions:

(A) Specific places between which the licensee may be allowed to operate a motor vehicle;

(B) Routes to be followed by the licensee;

(C) Times of travel;

(D) The specific vehicles which the licensee may operate; and

(E) Such other restrictions as the department may require.

(5) A probationary driver's license issued pursuant to this Code section shall become invalid upon the expiration of the period of the suspension or revocation of the driver's license of such person.

(6)(A)(i) Any probationary licensee violating the provisions of paragraph (4) of this subsection or operating a vehicle in violation of any conditions specified in this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(ii) Except as provided in division (iii) of this subparagraph, any probationary licensee violating any state law or local ordinance involving an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 or ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one nor more than five years, or both.

(iii) Any probationary licensee violating any state law or local ordinance involving a felony offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished as is provided for conviction of such felony.

(B) Any probationary licensee who is convicted of violating, or who pleads nolo contendere to a charge of violating, any state law or local ordinance involving an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 or ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title or any probationary licensee who is convicted of violating, or who pleads nolo contendere to a charge of violating, the conditions endorsed on his or her license, shall have his or her license revoked by the department. Any court in which such conviction is had or in which said nolo contendere plea is accepted shall require the licensee to surrender the license to the court. The court shall forward the license to the department within ten days after the conviction or acceptance of the plea, with a copy of the conviction. Any person whose probationary license is revoked for committing an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 or ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall not be eligible to apply for a regular driver's license until the expiration of the original five-year revocation period during which the probationary license was originally issued or for a period of two years following the conviction, whichever is greater.

(C) If the commissioner has reason to believe or makes a preliminary finding that the requirements of the public safety or welfare outweigh the individual needs of a person for a probationary license, the commissioner, in his or her discretion, after affording the person notice and an opportunity to be heard, may refuse to issue the license under this subsection.

(D) Any person whose probationary driver's license has been revoked shall not be eligible to apply for a subsequent probationary license under this Code section for a period of five years.

(7) Any person whose probationary license has been revoked or who has been refused a probationary license by the department may make a request in writing for a hearing to be provided by the department. Such hearing shall be provided by the department within 30 days after the receipt of such request and shall follow the procedures required by Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.' Appeal from such hearing shall be in accordance with Chapter 13 of Title 50.

(f) If a person's license was revoked for a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title resulting from a motor vehicle collision in which any person lost his or her life, the person whose license was revoked shall not be entitled to a probationary license as set forth in this Code section."

SECTION 2-23.

Said title is further amended by striking subsection (b) of Code Section 40-5-62, relating to periods of suspension, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(b) The department shall not issue a new license nor restore a person's suspended license or nonresident's operating privilege unless and until it is satisfied after investigation of the character, habits, and driving ability of such person that it will be safe to grant the privilege of driving a motor vehicle on the public highways. Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this Code section or any other provision of this title, the department shall not issue a new license to any person whose license was revoked as a habitual violator for three violations of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title within a five-year period unless and until such person submits proof of completion of an approved DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program. The department may issue rules and regulations providing for reinstatement hearings. In the case of a revocation pursuant to Code Section 40-5-58, the department shall charge a fee of \$210.00₂ or \$200.00 if processed by mail₂ in addition to the fee prescribed by Code Section 40-5-25 to issue a new driver's license to a person whose driver's license has been revoked."

SECTION 2-24.

Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a), (b), and (c) of Code Section 40-5-63, relating to periods of revocation, and inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a), (b), and (c) to read as follows:

"(a) The driver's license of any person convicted of an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 or of violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, unless the driver's license has been previously suspended pursuant to ~~Code Sections 40-5-67.1 and 40-5-67.2~~ Article 9 of this chapter, shall by operation of law be suspended and such suspension shall be subject to the following terms and conditions; provided, however, that any person convicted of a drug related offense pursuant to ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall be governed by the suspension requirements of Code Section 40-5-75:

(1) Upon the first conviction of any such offense, with no arrest and conviction of and no plea of nolo contendere accepted to such offense within the previous five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the period of suspension shall be for 12 months. At the end of 120 days, the person may apply to the department for reinstatement of said driver's license. Such license shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and

1 pays a restoration fee of ~~\$210~~ \$210.00, or ~~\$200~~ \$200.00 when such reinstatement is
2 processed by mail, unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction in which case the
3 restoration fee shall be \$510.00, or \$500.00 when such reinstatement is processed by
4 mail, provided that, if such license was suspended as a result of a conviction of an offense
5 listed in Code Section 40-5-54, such license shall be reinstated if such person submits
6 proof of completion of either a defensive driving program approved by the department
7 or a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the prescribed
8 restoration fee. A driver's license suspended as a result of a conviction of a violation of
9 ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall not become
10 valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI
11 Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the prescribed restoration fee.
12 For purposes of this paragraph, an accepted plea of nolo contendere to an offense listed
13 in Code Section 40-5-54 by a person who is under 18 years of age at the time of arrest
14 shall constitute a conviction. For the purposes of this paragraph only, an accepted plea
15 of nolo contendere by a person 21 years of age or older, with no conviction of and no plea
16 of nolo contendere accepted to a charge of violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of
17 Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title within the previous five years, as measured from the
18 dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere
19 accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a plea of nolo contendere is accepted,
20 shall be considered a conviction, and the court having jurisdiction shall forward, as
21 provided in ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, the
22 record of such disposition of the case to the department and the record of such disposition
23 shall be kept on file for the purpose of considering and counting such accepted plea of
24 nolo contendere as a conviction under paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection;

25 (2) Upon the second conviction of any such offense within five years, as measured from
26 the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the
27 current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the period of suspension shall be for
28 three years. At the end of 120 days, the person may apply to the department for
29 reinstatement of said driver's license; except that if such license was suspended as a result
30 of a second conviction of a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of
31 Chapter 6 of this title within five years, the person shall not be eligible to apply for
32 license reinstatement until the end of 18 months. Such license shall be reinstated if such
33 person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction
34 Program and pays a restoration fee of ~~\$210~~ \$210.00, or ~~\$200~~ \$200.00 when such
35 reinstatement is processed by mail, unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction in
36 which case the restoration fee shall be \$510.00, or \$500.00 when processed by mail,

provided that, if such license was suspended as a result of a conviction of an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54, such license shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of either a defensive driving program approved by the department or a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the prescribed restoration fee. A driver's license suspended as a result of a conviction of a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall not become valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the prescribed restoration fee. For purposes of this paragraph, a plea of nolo contendere and all previous accepted pleas of nolo contendere to an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 within such five-year period of time shall constitute a conviction. For the purposes of this paragraph, a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title and all prior accepted pleas of nolo contendere within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a plea of nolo contendere is accepted, shall be considered and counted as convictions; or

(3) Upon the third conviction of any such offense within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, such person shall be considered a habitual violator, and said license shall be revoked as provided for in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-62. For purposes of this paragraph, a plea of nolo contendere and all previous accepted pleas of nolo contendere to an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 within such five-year period shall constitute a conviction. For the purposes of this paragraph, a plea of nolo contendere and all prior accepted pleas of nolo contendere to a charge of violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a plea of nolo contendere is accepted, shall be considered and counted as convictions.

(b) The periods of suspension provided for in this Code section shall begin on the date the person is convicted of an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 or of violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title.

(c) In all cases in which the department may return a license to a driver prior to the termination of the full period of suspension, the department may require such tests of driving skill and knowledge as it determines to be proper, and the department's discretion shall be guided by the driver's past driving record and performance, and the driver shall

1 pay the applicable restoration fee. In addition to any other requirement the department may
2 impose, a driver's license suspended as a result of a conviction of a violation of ~~Code~~
3 ~~Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall not become valid, shall
4 remain suspended, and shall not be returned to such driver or otherwise reinstated until
5 such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction
6 Program."

7 **SECTION 2-25.**

8 Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-5-63.1, relating to clinical
9 evaluation and substance abuse treatment programs for certain offenders, and inserting in lieu
10 thereof a new Code Section 40-5-63.1 to read as follows:

11 "40-5-63.1.

12 In addition to any and all other conditions of license reinstatement, issuance, or restoration
13 under Code Section 40-5-58, 40-5-62, or 40-5-63, any person with two or more convictions
14 of violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title within
15 five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were
16 obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, shall be
17 required to undergo a clinical evaluation and, if indicated by such evaluation, must
18 complete a substance abuse treatment program, provided that such evaluation and treatment
19 shall be at such person's expense except as otherwise provided by Code Section 37-7-120.
20 Acceptable proof of completion of such a program must be submitted to the department
21 prior to license reinstatement, issuance, or restoration. For purposes of this Code section,
22 a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article
23 15 of Chapter 6 of this title and all prior accepted pleas of nolo contendere within five
24 years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained
25 or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a plea
26 of nolo contendere is accepted, shall be considered and counted as convictions."

27 **SECTION 2-26.**

28 Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a) and (e) of Code Section 40-5-64,
29 relating to limited driving permits for certain offenders, and inserting in lieu thereof new
30 subsections (a) and (e) to read as follows:

31 "(a) *To whom issued.*

32 (1) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of Code Section 40-5-57 or 40-5-63 or any
33 other Code section of this chapter, any person who has not been previously convicted or
34 adjudicated delinquent for a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of

1 Chapter 6 of this title within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests
2 for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the
3 date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea of nolo contendere
4 is accepted, may apply for a limited driving permit when and only when that person's
5 driver's license has been suspended in accordance with paragraph (2) of subsection (a.1)
6 of Code Section 40-5-22, subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-57, paragraph (1) of
7 subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-63, or paragraph (1) of subsection ~~(a)~~ (e) of Code
8 Section ~~40-5-67.2~~ 40-5-208.

9 (2) Any person whose driver's license has been suspended and who is subject to a court
10 order for installation and use of an ignition interlock device as a condition of probation
11 pursuant to the provisions Article 7 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 may apply for a limited
12 driving permit."

13 "(e) *Duration of permit.* A permit issued pursuant to this Code section shall be \$25.00 and
14 shall be nonrenewable and shall become invalid upon the driver's eighteenth birthday in
15 the case of a suspension under paragraph (2) of subsection (a.1) of Code Section 40-5-22,
16 upon the expiration of one year following the effective date of suspension of the applicant's
17 driver's license in the case of a suspension for an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54
18 or a suspension under Code Section 40-5-57, upon the expiration of 120 days following
19 conviction in the case of a suspension in accordance with paragraph (1) of subsection (a)
20 of Code Section 40-5-63 for a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of
21 Chapter 6 of this title, upon the expiration of 30 days in the case of an administrative
22 license suspension in accordance with paragraph (1) of subsection ~~(a)~~ (e) of Code Section
23 ~~40-5-67.2~~ 40-5-208, or upon the expiration of six months following proof of installation
24 of an ignition interlock device in the case of a limited driving permit issued to a person
25 subject to a court order for installation and use of such a device pursuant to Article 7 of
26 Chapter 8 of Title 42; except that such limited driving permit shall expire upon any earlier
27 reinstatement of the driver's license. A person may apply to the department for a limited
28 driving permit immediately following such conviction if he or she has surrendered his or
29 her driver's license to the court in which the conviction was adjudged or to the department
30 if the department has processed the citation or conviction. Upon the applicant's execution
31 of an affidavit attesting to such facts and to the fact that the court had not imposed a
32 suspension or revocation of his or her driver's license or driving privileges inconsistent
33 with the driving privileges to be conferred by the limited driving permit applied for, the
34 department may issue such person a limited driving permit."

35 **SECTION 2-27.**

Said title is further amended by striking subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-66, relating to appeals from decisions of the department, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) Except as provided in subsection (h) of Code Section ~~40-5-67.1~~ 40-5-64 and subsection ~~(h)~~ (b) of Code Section ~~40-5-64~~ 40-5-209, any decision rendered by the department shall be final unless the aggrieved person shall desire an appeal. In such case, such person shall have the right to enter an appeal in the superior court of the county of his or her residence or in the Superior Court of Fulton County. Such appeal shall name the commissioner as defendant and must be filed within 30 days from the date the department enters its decision or order. The person filing the appeal shall not be required to post any bond nor to pay the costs in advance."

SECTION 2-28.

Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-5-67, relating to seizure and disposition of driver's license of persons charged with driving under the influence, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-5-67 to read as follows:

"40-5-67.

~~(a) Whenever any resident or nonresident person is charged with violating Code Section 40-6-391, the law enforcement officer shall take the driver's license of the person so charged. The driver's license shall be attached to the court's copy of the uniform traffic citation and complaint form and shall be forwarded to the court having jurisdiction of the offense. A copy of the uniform traffic citation and complaint form shall be forwarded, within ten days of issue, to the department. Taking the driver's license as required in this Code section shall not prohibit any law enforcement officer or agency from requiring any cash bond authorized by Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 17.~~

~~(b) At the time the law enforcement officer takes the driver's license, the officer shall issue a temporary driving permit to the person as follows:~~

~~(1) If the driver refuses to submit to a test or tests to determine the presence of alcohol or drugs as required in Code Section 40-5-55, the officer shall issue a 30 day temporary driving permit;~~

~~(2) If the driver's license is required to be suspended under Code Section 40-5-67.1, the officer shall issue a 30 day temporary driving permit; or~~

~~(3) If the test or tests administered pursuant to Code Section 40-5-55 indicate an alcohol concentration in violation of Code Section 40-6-391 but less than the level for an administrative suspension of the license under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-67.1, the officer shall issue a 180 day temporary driving permit.~~

~~This temporary driving permit shall be valid for the stated period or until the person's driving privilege is suspended or revoked under any provision of this title. The department, at its sole discretion, may delay the expiration date of the temporary driving permit, but in no event shall this delay extend beyond the date when such person's driving privilege is suspended or revoked under any provision of this title. The department shall by rules and regulations establish the conditions under which the expiration of the temporary permit may be delayed.~~

~~(c)(1) If the person is convicted of violating or enters a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of violating Code Section 40-6-391, the court shall, within ten days, forward the person's driver's license and the record of the disposition of the case to the department. At this time, the court shall also require the person to surrender the temporary driving permit issued pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section.~~

~~(2) If the person is not convicted of violating and does not enter a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of violating Code Section 40-6-391, and the court is in possession of the driver's license, the court shall return the driver's license to the person unless the license is in suspension for any other offense, in which case the court shall forward the license to the department for disposition.~~

~~(c) As used in this Code section, the term 'traffic accident resulting in serious injuries or fatalities' means any motor vehicle accident in which a person was killed or in which one or more persons suffered a fractured bone, severe burns, disfigurement, dismemberment, partial or total loss of sight or hearing, or loss of consciousness Reserved.~~

SECTION 2-29.

Said title is further amended by repealing Code Section 40-5-67.1, relating to chemical tests.

SECTION 2-30.

Said title is further amended by repealing Code Section 40-5-67.2, relating to terms and conditions for suspension of license under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-67.1.

SECTION 2-31.

Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-5-69, relating to circumstances not affecting suspensions by operation of law, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-5-69 to read as follows:

"40-5-69.

If a person's driver's license is suspended by operation of law as provided in Code Section 40-5-63, ~~40-5-67.1, or 40-5-67.2~~ 40-5-208, the fact that the person's driver's license was

not physically surrendered to the law enforcement officer at the time the person was charged with violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title or that the person's driver's license was not retained by the court and forwarded to the department as provided in Code Section ~~40-5-67~~ 40-5-206 or that the person's driver's license was not forwarded as provided in Code Section 40-5-72 shall not affect such suspension."

SECTION 2-32.

Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 40-5-75, relating to suspension of licenses by operation of law, and inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

"(a) The drivers license of any person convicted of possession, distribution, manufacture, cultivation, sale, transfer of, the attempt or conspiracy to possess, distribute, manufacture, cultivate, sell, or transfer a controlled substance or marijuana, or driving or being in actual physical control of any moving vehicle while under the influence of such a substance in violation of subsection (b) of Code Section 16-13-2, subsection (a), (b), or (j) of Code Section 16-13-30, or Code Section 16-13-33; ~~paragraph (2), (4), or (6) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title; or the law of any other jurisdiction shall by operation of law be suspended and such suspension shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:

(1) Upon the first conviction of any such offense, with no arrest and conviction of and no plea of nolo contendere accepted to such offense within the previous five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the period of suspension shall be for not less than 180 days. At the end of 180 days, the person may apply to the department for reinstatement of his or her driver's license. Such license shall be reinstated only if the person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays to the Department of Driver Services a restoration fee of ~~\$210~~ \$210.00, or ~~\$200~~ \$200.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail, unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction in which case the restoration fee shall be \$510.00, or \$500.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail. For purposes of this paragraph, a plea of nolo contendere by a person to a charge of any drug related offense listed in this subsection shall, except as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, constitute a conviction;

(2) Upon the second conviction of any such offense within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the

1 current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the period of suspension shall be for
2 three years, provided that after one year from the date of the conviction the person may
3 apply to the department for reinstatement of his or her driver's license by submitting
4 proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and paying
5 to the Department of Driver Services a restoration fee of ~~\$210~~ \$210.00, or ~~\$200~~ \$200.00
6 when such reinstatement is processed by mail, unless such conviction was a recidivist
7 conviction in which case the restoration fee shall be \$510.00, or \$500.00 when such
8 reinstatement is processed by mail. For purposes of this paragraph, a plea of nolo
9 contendere and all previous pleas of nolo contendere within such five-year period of time
10 shall constitute a conviction; and

11 (3) Upon the third conviction of any such offense within five years, as measured from
12 the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the
13 current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, such person's license shall be suspended
14 for a period of five years. At the end of two years, the person may apply to the
15 department for a three-year driving permit upon compliance with the following
16 conditions:

17 (A) Such person has not been convicted or pleaded nolo contendere to any drug related
18 offense, including driving under the influence, for a period of two years immediately
19 preceding the application for such permit;

20 (B) Such person submits proof of completion of a licensed drug treatment program.
21 Such proof shall be submitted within two years of the license suspension and prior to
22 the issuance of the permit. Such licensed drug treatment program shall be paid for by
23 the offender. The offender must pay a permit fee of \$25.00 to the department;

24 (C) Such person submits proof of financial responsibility as provided in Chapter 9 of
25 this title; and

26 (D) Refusal to issue such permit would cause extreme hardship to the applicant. For
27 the purposes of this subparagraph, the term 'extreme hardship' means that the applicant
28 cannot reasonably obtain other transportation, and, therefore, the applicant would be
29 prohibited from:

30 (i) Going to his or her place of employment or performing the normal duties of his
31 or her occupation;

32 (ii) Receiving scheduled medical care or obtaining prescription drugs;

33 (iii) Attending a college or school at which he or she is regularly enrolled as a
34 student; or

(iv) Attending regularly scheduled sessions or meetings of support organizations for persons who have addiction or abuse problems related to alcohol or other drugs, which organizations are recognized by the commissioner.

(b) Whenever a person is convicted of possession, distribution, manufacture, cultivation, sale, transfer of, the attempt or conspiracy to possess, distribute, manufacture, cultivate, sell, or transfer a controlled substance or marijuana, or driving or being in actual physical control of any moving vehicle while under the influence of such substance in violation of subsection (b) of Code Section 16-13-2, subsection (a), (b), or (j) of Code Section 16-13-30, or Code Section 16-13-33; ~~paragraph (2), (4), or (6) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title; or the law of any other jurisdiction, the court in which such conviction is had shall require the surrender to it of any driver's license then held by the person so convicted and the court shall thereupon forward such license and a copy of its order to the department within ten days after the conviction. The periods of suspension provided for in this Code section shall begin on the date of surrender of the driver's license or on the date that the department processes the conviction or citation, whichever shall first occur."

SECTION 2-33.

Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-5-85, relating to reinstatement of licenses suspended for driving under influence of alcohol or drugs, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-5-85 to read as follows:

"40-5-85.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, any person convicted within five years of his or her first conviction as measured in ~~paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title for a second time of the offense of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs in violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title shall, upon compliance with all other requirements for reinstatement of his or her license as provided for in this chapter, be issued a driver's license which may bear a red stripe thereon. After seven years with no additional convictions for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs any such person shall be issued a regular driver's license without such red stripe, provided that he or she is otherwise entitled to such license under the laws of this state."

SECTION 2-34.

Said title is further amended by striking paragraph (13.1) of Code Section 40-5-142, relating to definitions regarding commercial drivers' licenses, and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (13.1) to read as follows:

"(13.1) 'Driving a commercial vehicle while under the influence of alcohol' means committing any one or more of the following acts while a person is driving or in actual physical control of a moving commercial motor vehicle:

(A) Driving while the person's alcohol concentration is 0.04 percent or more by weight of alcohol in his or her blood, breath, or urine;

(B) Driving under the influence of alcohol, as prescribed by ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title; or

(C) Refusal to submit to state-administered chemical testing when requested to do so by a law enforcement officer."

SECTION 2-35.

Said title is further amended by striking subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-148.1, relating to restricted commercial licenses for persons in agricultural industry, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (d) to read as follows:

"(d) All holders of restricted commercial drivers' licenses shall be subject to disqualifications and penalties under Code Sections 40-5-151 ~~through 40-5-153~~ and 40-5-152 and Article 9 of this chapter and shall be subject to all notices, verifications, and license checks otherwise required under this article."

SECTION 2-36.

Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a) and (c) of Code Section 40-5-151, relating to disqualification from driving, and inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a) and (c) to read as follows:

"(a) Any person is disqualified from driving a commercial motor vehicle for a period of not less than one year:

(1) If convicted of a first violation of:

(A) Any offense specified in Code Section 40-5-54 that occurs while the person is driving or being in actual physical control of a moving commercial motor vehicle or a moving noncommercial vehicle;

(B) Driving or being in actual physical control of a moving commercial motor vehicle while there is 0.04 percent or more by weight of alcohol in his or her blood, breath, or urine; or

(C) Driving or being in actual physical control of a moving noncommercial vehicle in violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title; or

(2) For refusal to submit to a test as prescribed in ~~Code Section 40-5-55~~ Article 9 of this chapter to determine the driver's alcohol concentration while driving a commercial motor vehicle or a noncommercial motor vehicle."

"(c) Any person is disqualified from driving a commercial motor vehicle for life if convicted of two or more violations of any of the offenses specified in subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-54 or ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of this title, the refusal to submit to state administered chemical testing as prescribed by ~~Code Section 40-5-55~~ Article 9 of this chapter, or any combination of those offenses or refusals, arising from two or more separate incidents."

SECTION 2-37.

Said title is further amended by striking subsection (b) of Code Section 40-5-152, relating to operating a commercial vehicle while having measurable alcohol in system, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(b) A person who drives, operates, or is in physical control of a commercial motor vehicle while having any measurable alcohol in his or her system or who refuses to take a test prescribed by ~~Code Section 40-5-55~~ Article 9 of this chapter to determine his or her alcohol content must be placed out of service for 24 hours."

SECTION 2-38.

Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-5-153, relating to implied consent to chemical test regarding commercial vehicles, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-5-153 to read as follows:

"40-5-153.

~~(a) Any person who drives a commercial motor vehicle anywhere in the state shall be deemed to have given consent, subject to the provisions of Code Sections 40-5-55 and 40-6-392, to a test or tests of that person's blood, breath, or urine for the purpose of determining that person's alcohol concentration or the presence of other drugs.~~

~~(b) A test or tests may be administered at the direction of a law enforcement officer who, after stopping or detaining the commercial motor vehicle driver, has probable cause to believe that driver was driving a commercial motor vehicle while having any measurable alcohol in his or her system.~~

~~(c) A person requested to submit to a test as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section must be warned by the law enforcement officer requesting the test that a refusal to submit~~

1 ~~to the test will result in that person's being disqualified from operating a commercial motor~~
2 ~~vehicle for one year under Code Section 40-5-151 and from operating a private motor~~
3 ~~vehicle as provided in Code Section 40-5-67.1.~~

4 ~~(d) If the person refuses testing, the law enforcement officer must submit an affidavit to~~
5 ~~the department within ten days of such refusal certifying that the test was requested~~
6 ~~pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section and that the person refused to submit to~~
7 ~~testing.~~

8 ~~(e) Upon receipt of the affidavit submitted by a law enforcement officer under subsection~~
9 ~~(d) of this Code section, the department must disqualify the driver from driving a~~
10 ~~commercial motor vehicle for a period of one year as provided under Code Section~~
11 ~~40-5-151 and, if the driver refused testing, from operating a private motor vehicle as~~
12 ~~provided under Code Section 40-5-67.1. If the driver is in possession of a driver's license,~~
13 ~~the officer shall take possession of the license and attach it to the affidavit Reserved.~~

14 **SECTION 2-39.**

15 Said title is further amended by striking paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section
16 40-6-3, relating to application of chapter to operation of vehicles on highways and
17 exceptions, and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (3) to read as follows:

18 "(3) The provisions of this chapter relating to reckless driving, driving in violation of
19 ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of this chapter, and homicide by vehicle shall
20 apply to vehicles operated upon highways and elsewhere throughout the state;"

21 **SECTION 2-40.**

22 Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-6-291, relating to traffic laws
23 applicable to bicycles, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-6-291 to read as
24 follows:

25 "40-6-291.

26 The provisions of this chapter that apply to vehicles, but not exclusively to motor vehicles,
27 shall apply to bicycles, except that the penalties prescribed in subsection (b) of Code
28 Section 40-6-390, ~~subsection (c) of Code Section 40-6-391, and subsection (a) of Code~~
29 ~~Section 40-6-393, and Code Section 40-6-414~~ shall not apply to persons riding bicycles."

30 **SECTION 2-41.**

31 Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-6-391, relating to driving under the
32 influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances, and inserting in lieu thereof a
33 new Code Section 40-6-391 to read as follows:

1 ~~"40-6-391.~~

2 ~~(a) A person shall not drive or be in actual physical control of any moving vehicle while:~~

3 ~~(1) Under the influence of alcohol to the extent that it is less safe for the person to drive;~~

4 ~~(2) Under the influence of any drug to the extent that it is less safe for the person to~~
5 ~~drive;~~

6 ~~(3) Under the intentional influence of any glue, aerosol, or other toxic vapor to the extent~~
7 ~~that it is less safe for the person to drive;~~

8 ~~(4) Under the combined influence of any two or more of the substances specified in~~
9 ~~paragraphs (1) through (3) of this subsection to the extent that it is less safe for the person~~
10 ~~to drive;~~

11 ~~(5) The person's alcohol concentration is 0.08 grams or more at any time within three~~
12 ~~hours after such driving or being in actual physical control from alcohol consumed before~~
13 ~~such driving or being in actual physical control ended; or~~

14 ~~(6) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b) of this Code section, there is any amount~~
15 ~~of marijuana or a controlled substance, as defined in Code Section 16-13-21, present in~~
16 ~~the person's blood or urine, or both, including the metabolites and derivatives of each or~~
17 ~~both without regard to whether or not any alcohol is present in the person's breath or~~
18 ~~blood.~~

19 ~~(b) The fact that any person charged with violating this Code section is or has been legally~~
20 ~~entitled to use a drug shall not constitute a defense against any charge of violating this~~
21 ~~Code section; provided, however, that such person shall not be in violation of this Code~~
22 ~~section unless such person is rendered incapable of driving safely as a result of using a drug~~
23 ~~other than alcohol which such person is legally entitled to use.~~

24 ~~(c) Every person convicted of violating this Code section shall, upon a first or second~~
25 ~~conviction thereof, be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon a third or subsequent conviction~~
26 ~~thereof, be guilty of a high and aggravated misdemeanor and shall be punished as follows:~~

27 ~~(1) First conviction with no conviction of and no plea of nolo contendere accepted to a~~
28 ~~charge of violating this Code section within the previous five years, as measured from the~~
29 ~~dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere~~
30 ~~were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea~~
31 ~~of nolo contendere is accepted:~~

32 ~~(A) A fine of not less than \$300.00 nor more than \$1,000.00, which fine shall not,~~
33 ~~except as provided in subsection (g) of this Code section, be subject to suspension, stay,~~
34 ~~or probation;~~

35 ~~(B) A period of imprisonment of not less than ten days nor more than 12 months,~~
36 ~~which period of imprisonment may, at the sole discretion of the judge, be suspended;~~

~~stayed, or probated, except that if the offender's alcohol concentration at the time of the offense was 0.08 grams or more, the judge may suspend, stay, or probate all but 24 hours of any term of imprisonment imposed under this subparagraph;~~

~~(C) Not less than 40 hours of community service, except that for a conviction for violation of subsection (k) of this Code section where the person's alcohol concentration at the time of the offense was less than 0.08 grams, the period of community service shall be not less than 20 hours;~~

~~(D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program approved by the Department of Driver Services. The sponsor of any such program shall provide written notice of such approval to the person upon enrollment in the program; and~~

~~(E) If the defendant is sentenced to a period of imprisonment for less than 12 months, a period of probation of 12 months less any days during which the defendant is actually incarcerated;~~

~~(2) For the second conviction within a five-year period of time, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea of nolo contendere is accepted:~~

~~(A) A fine of not less than \$600.00 nor more than \$1,000.00, which fine shall not, except as provided in subsection (g) of this Code section, be subject to suspension, stay, or probation;~~

~~(B) A period of imprisonment of not less than 90 days nor more than 12 months. The judge shall probate at least a portion of such term of imprisonment, in accordance with subparagraph (F) of this paragraph, thereby subjecting the offender to the provisions of Article 7 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 and to such other terms and conditions as the judge may impose; provided, however, that the offender shall be required to serve not less than 72 hours of actual incarceration;~~

~~(C) Not less than 30 days of community service;~~

~~(D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program approved by the Department of Driver Services. The sponsor of any such program shall provide written notice of such approval to the person upon enrollment in the program; and~~

~~(E) Undergoing a clinical evaluation as defined in Code Section 40-5-1 and, if indicated by such evaluation, completion of a substance abuse treatment program as defined in Code Section 40-5-1, and~~

~~(F) A period of probation of 12 months less any days during which the defendant is actually incarcerated; or~~

~~(3) For the third or subsequent conviction within a five-year period of time, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea of nolo contendere is accepted:~~

~~(A) A fine of not less than \$1,000.00 and not more than \$5,000.00, which fine shall not, except as provided in subsection (g) of this Code section, be subject to suspension, stay, or probation;~~

~~(B) A mandatory period of imprisonment of not less than 120 days nor more than 12 months. The judge shall probate at least a portion of such term of imprisonment, in accordance with subparagraph (F) of this paragraph, thereby subjecting the offender to the provisions of Article 7 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 and to such other terms and conditions as the judge may impose; provided, however, that the offender shall be required to serve not less than 15 days of actual incarceration;~~

~~(C) Not less than 30 days of community service;~~

~~(D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program approved by the Department of Driver Services. The sponsor of any such program shall provide written notice of such approval to the person upon enrollment in the program; and~~

~~(E) Undergoing a clinical evaluation as defined in Code Section 40-5-1 and, if indicated by such evaluation, completion of a substance abuse treatment program as defined in Code Section 40-5-1; and~~

~~(F) A period of probation of 12 months less any days during which the defendant is actually incarcerated.~~

~~For the purpose of imposing a sentence under this subsection, a plea of nolo contendere or an adjudication of delinquency based on a violation of this Code section shall constitute a conviction.~~

~~(d)(1) Notwithstanding the limits set forth in any municipal charter, any municipal court of any municipality shall be authorized to impose the punishments provided for in this Code section upon a conviction of violating this Code section or upon conviction of violating any ordinance adopting the provisions of this Code section.~~

~~(2) Notwithstanding any provision of this Code section to the contrary, any court authorized to hear cases involving violations of this Code section shall be authorized to exercise the power to probate, suspend, or stay any sentence imposed. Such power shall, however, be limited to the conditions and limitations imposed by subsection (c) of this Code section.~~

~~(e) The foregoing limitations on punishment also shall apply when a defendant has been convicted of violating, by a single transaction, more than one of the four provisions of subsection (a) of this Code section.~~

~~(f) The provisions of Code Section 17-10-3, relating to general punishment for misdemeanors including traffic offenses, and the provisions of Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 42, relating to probation of first offenders, shall not apply to any person convicted of violating any provision of this Code section.~~

~~(g)(1) If the payment of the fine required under subsection (c) of this Code section will impose an economic hardship on the defendant, the judge, at his or her sole discretion, may order the defendant to pay such fine in installments and such order may be enforced through a contempt proceeding or a revocation of any probation otherwise authorized by this Code section.~~

~~(2) In the sole discretion of the judge, he or she may suspend up to one-half of the fine imposed under paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (c) of this Code section for a second or subsequent conviction conditioned upon the defendant's undergoing treatment in a substance abuse treatment program as defined in Code Section 40-5-1.~~

~~(h) For purposes of determining under this chapter prior convictions of or pleas of nolo contendere to violating this Code section, in addition to the offense prohibited by this Code section, a conviction of or plea of nolo contendere to any of the following offenses shall be deemed to be a violation of this Code section:~~

~~(1) Any federal law substantially conforming to or parallel with the offense covered under this Code section;~~

~~(2) Any local ordinance adopted pursuant to Article 14 of this chapter, which ordinance adopts the provisions of this Code section; or~~

~~(3) Any previously or currently existing law of this or any other state, which law was or is substantially conforming to or parallel with this Code section.~~

~~(i) A person shall not drive or be in actual physical control of any moving commercial motor vehicle while there is 0.04 percent or more by weight of alcohol in such person's blood, breath, or urine. Every person convicted of violating this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, in addition to any disqualification resulting under Article 7 of Chapter 5 of this title, the 'Uniform Commercial Driver's License Act,' shall be fined as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section.~~

~~(j)(1) The clerk of the court in which a person is convicted a second or subsequent time under subsection (c) of this Code section within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea of~~

~~nolo contendere is accepted, shall cause to be published a notice of conviction for each such person convicted. Such notices of conviction shall be published in the manner of legal notices in the legal organ of the county in which such person resides or, in the case of nonresidents, in the legal organ of the county in which the person was convicted. Such notice of conviction shall be one column wide by two inches long and shall contain the photograph taken by the arresting law enforcement agency at the time of arrest, name and address of the convicted person, and the date, time, place of arrest, and disposition of the case and shall be published once in the legal organ of the appropriate county in the second week following such conviction or as soon thereafter as publication may be made.~~

~~(2) The convicted person for which a notice of conviction is published pursuant to this subsection shall be assessed \$25.00 for the cost of publication of such notice and such assessment shall be imposed at the time of conviction in addition to any other fine imposed pursuant to this Code section.~~

~~(3) The clerk of the court, the publisher of any legal organ which publishes a notice of conviction, and any other person involved in the publication of an erroneous notice of conviction shall be immune from civil or criminal liability for such erroneous publication, provided such publication was made in good faith.~~

~~(k)(1) A person under the age of 21 shall not drive or be in actual physical control of any moving vehicle while the person's alcohol concentration is 0.02 grams or more at any time within three hours after such driving or being in physical control from alcohol consumed before such driving or being in actual physical control ended.~~

~~(2) Every person convicted of violating this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor for the first and second convictions and upon a third or subsequent conviction thereof be guilty of a high and aggravated misdemeanor and shall be punished and fined as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, provided that any term of imprisonment served shall be subject to the provisions of Code Section 17-10-3.1, and any period of community service imposed on such person shall be required to be completed within 60 days of the date of sentencing.~~

~~(3) No plea of nolo contendere shall be accepted for any person under the age of 21 charged with a violation of this Code section.~~

~~(l) A person who violates this Code section while transporting in a motor vehicle a child under the age of 14 years is guilty of the separate offense of endangering a child by driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. The offense of endangering a child by driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall not be merged with the offense of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs for the purposes of prosecution and sentencing. An offender who is convicted of a violation of this subsection shall be punished in accordance~~

~~with the provisions of subsection (d) of Code Section 16-12-1, relating to the offense of contributing to the delinquency, unruliness, or deprivation of a child Reserved.~~"

SECTION 2-42.

Said title is further amended by repealing Code Section 40-6-391.1, relating to entry of plea of nolo contendere.

SECTION 2-43.

Said title is further amended by repealing Code Section 40-6-391.2, relating to seizure and forfeiture of a motor vehicle operated by a habitual violator.

SECTION 2-44.

Said title is further amended by repealing Code Section 40-6-391.3, relating to penalty for conviction for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs while driving a school bus.

SECTION 2-45.

Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-6-392, relating to chemical tests for alcohol or drugs in blood, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-6-392 to read as follows:

"40-6-392.

~~(a) Upon the trial of any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been committed by any person in violation of Code Section 40-6-391, evidence of the amount of alcohol or drug in a person's blood, urine, breath, or other bodily substance at the alleged time, as determined by a chemical analysis of the person's blood, urine, breath, or other bodily substance shall be admissible. Where such a chemical test is made, the following provisions shall apply:~~

~~(1)(A) Chemical analysis of the person's blood, urine, breath, or other bodily substance, to be considered valid under this Code section, shall have been performed according to methods approved by the Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation on a machine which was operated with all its electronic and operating components prescribed by its manufacturer properly attached and in good working order and by an individual possessing a valid permit issued by the Division of Forensic Sciences for this purpose. The Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation shall approve satisfactory techniques or methods to ascertain the qualifications and competence of individuals to conduct analyses and to issue permits, along with requirements for properly operating and maintaining any testing instruments,~~

1 and to issue certificates certifying that instruments have met those requirements, which
2 certificates and permits shall be subject to termination or revocation at the discretion of
3 the Division of Forensic Sciences.

4 (B) In all cases where the arrest is made on or after January 1, 1995, and the state selects
5 breath testing, two sequential breath samples shall be requested for the testing of alcohol
6 concentration. For either or both of these sequential samples to be admissible in the
7 state's or plaintiff's case in chief, the readings shall not differ from each other by an
8 alcohol concentration of greater than 0.020 grams and the lower of the two results shall
9 be determinative for accusation and indictment purposes and administrative license
10 suspension purposes. No more than two sequential series of a total of two adequate
11 breath samples each shall be requested by the state; provided, however, that after an
12 initial test in which the instrument indicates an adequate breath sample was given for
13 analysis, any subsequent refusal to give additional breath samples shall not be construed
14 as a refusal for purposes of suspension of a driver's license under Code Sections 40-5-55
15 and 40-5-67.1. Notwithstanding the above, a refusal to give an adequate sample or
16 samples on any subsequent breath, blood, urine, or other bodily substance test shall not
17 affect the admissibility of the results of any prior samples. An adequate breath sample
18 shall mean a breath sample sufficient to cause the breath-testing instrument to produce
19 a printed alcohol concentration analysis.

20 (2) When a person shall undergo a chemical test at the request of a law enforcement
21 officer, only a physician, registered nurse, laboratory technician, emergency medical
22 technician, or other qualified person may withdraw blood for the purpose of determining
23 the alcoholic content therein, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the taking of
24 breath or urine specimens. No physician, registered nurse, or other qualified person or
25 employer thereof shall incur any civil or criminal liability as a result of the medically
26 proper obtaining of such blood specimens when requested in writing by a law
27 enforcement officer;

28 (3) The person tested may have a physician or a qualified technician, chemist, registered
29 nurse, or other qualified person of his own choosing administer a chemical test or tests
30 in addition to any administered at the direction of a law enforcement officer. The
31 justifiable failure or inability to obtain an additional test shall not preclude the admission
32 of evidence relating to the test or tests taken at the direction of a law enforcement officer;
33 and

34 (4) Upon the request of the person who shall submit to a chemical test or tests at the
35 request of a law enforcement officer, full information concerning the test or tests shall
36 be made available to him or his attorney. The arresting officer at the time of arrest shall

1 ~~advise the person arrested of his rights to a chemical test or tests according to this Code~~
2 ~~section.~~

3 ~~(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, upon the trial of any civil or~~
4 ~~criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been committed by any~~
5 ~~person in violation of Code Section 40-6-391, the amount of alcohol in the person's blood~~
6 ~~at the time alleged, as shown by chemical analysis of the person's blood, urine, breath, or~~
7 ~~other bodily substance, may give rise to inferences as follows:~~

8 ~~(1) If there was at that time an alcohol concentration of 0.05 grams or less, the trier of~~
9 ~~fact in its discretion may infer therefrom that the person was not under the influence of~~
10 ~~alcohol, as prohibited by paragraphs (1) and (4) of subsection (a) of Code Section~~
11 ~~40-6-391; or~~

12 ~~(2) If there was at that time an alcohol concentration in excess of 0.05 grams but less~~
13 ~~than 0.08 grams, such fact shall not give rise to any inference that the person was or was~~
14 ~~not under the influence of alcohol, as prohibited by paragraphs (1) and (4) of subsection~~
15 ~~(a) of Code Section 40-6-391, but such fact may be considered by the trier of fact with~~
16 ~~other competent evidence in determining whether the person was under the influence of~~
17 ~~alcohol, as prohibited by paragraphs (1) and (4) of subsection (a) of Code Section~~
18 ~~40-6-391.~~

19 ~~(c)(1) In any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have~~
20 ~~been committed in violation of paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-391,~~
21 ~~if there was at that time or within three hours after driving or being in actual physical~~
22 ~~control of a moving vehicle from alcohol consumed before such driving or being in actual~~
23 ~~physical control ended an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more grams in the person's~~
24 ~~blood, breath, or urine, the person shall be in violation of paragraph (5) of subsection (a)~~
25 ~~of Code Section 40-6-391.~~

26 ~~(2) In any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been~~
27 ~~committed by any person in violation of subsection (i) of Code Section 40-6-391, if there~~
28 ~~was at that time or within three hours after driving or being in actual physical control of~~
29 ~~a moving vehicle from alcohol consumed before such driving or being in actual physical~~
30 ~~control ended an alcohol concentration of 0.04 grams or more in the person's blood,~~
31 ~~breath, or urine, the person shall be in violation of subsection (i) of Code Section~~
32 ~~40-6-391.~~

33 ~~(3) In any civil or criminal action or proceeding arising out of acts alleged to have been~~
34 ~~committed by any person in violation of subsection (k) of Code Section 40-6-391, if there~~
35 ~~was at that time or within three hours after driving or being in actual physical control of~~
36 ~~a moving vehicle from alcohol consumed before such driving or being in actual physical~~

~~control ended an alcohol concentration of 0.02 grams or more in the person's blood, breath, or urine, the person shall be in violation of subsection (k) of Code Section 40-6-391.~~

~~(d) In any criminal trial, the refusal of the defendant to permit a chemical analysis to be made of his blood, breath, urine, or other bodily substance at the time of his arrest shall be admissible in evidence against him.~~

~~(e)(1) A certification by the office of the Secretary of State or by the Department of Human Resources that a person who drew blood was a licensed or certified physician, physician's assistant, registered nurse, practical nurse, medical technologist, medical laboratory technician, or phlebotomist at the time the blood was drawn;~~

~~(2) Testimony, under oath, of the blood drawer; or~~

~~(3) Testimony, under oath, of the blood drawer's supervisor or medical records custodian that the blood drawer was properly trained and authorized to draw blood as an employee of the medical facility or employer~~

~~shall be admissible into evidence for the purpose of establishing that such person was qualified to draw blood as required by this Code section.~~

~~(f) Each time an approved breath-testing instrument is inspected, the inspector shall prepare a certificate which shall be signed under oath by the inspector and which shall include the following language:~~

~~"This breath-testing instrument (serial no. _____) was thoroughly inspected, tested, and standardized by the undersigned on (date _____) and all of its electronic and operating components prescribed by its manufacturer are properly attached and are in good working order."~~

~~When properly prepared and executed, as prescribed in this subsection, the certificate shall, notwithstanding any other provision of law, be self-authenticating, shall be admissible in any court of law, and shall satisfy the pertinent requirements of paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section and subparagraph (g)(2)(F) of Code Section 40-5-67.1 Reserved."~~

SECTION 2-46.

Said title is further amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 40-6-393, relating to homicide by vehicle, and inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

"(a) Any person who, without malice aforethought, causes the death of another person through the violation of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-163 or subsection (b) of Code Section 40-6-270 or Code Section 40-6-390 ~~or 40-6-391~~ or subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-395 or Part 2 of Article 15 of this chapter commits the offense of homicide by vehicle

1 in the first degree and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not
2 less than three years nor more than 15 years.

3 (b) Any person who causes the death of another person, without an intention to do so, by
4 violating any provision of this title other than subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-163 or
5 subsection (b) of Code Section 40-6-270 or Code Section 40-6-390 ~~or 40-6-391~~ or
6 subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-395 or Part 2 of Article 15 of this chapter commits the
7 offense of homicide by vehicle in the second degree when such violation is the cause of
8 said death and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished as provided in Code Section
9 17-10-3."

10 **SECTION 2-47.**

11 Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-6-393.1, relating to feticide by
12 vehicle, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-6-393.1 to read as follows:

13 "40-6-393.1.

14 (a)(1) A person commits the offense of feticide by vehicle in the first degree if he or she
15 causes the death of an unborn child so far developed as to be ordinarily called 'quick' by
16 any injury to the mother of such child through the violation of Code Section 40-6-390 or
17 ~~40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of this chapter, which would be homicide by vehicle in the
18 first degree as provided in subsection (a) or (c) of Code Section 40-6-393 if it resulted in
19 the death of such mother.

20 (2) A person convicted of the offense of feticide by vehicle in the first degree shall be
21 punished by imprisonment for not less than two years nor more than 15 years.

22 (b)(1) A person commits the offense of feticide by vehicle in the second degree if he or
23 she causes the death of an unborn child so far developed as to be ordinarily called 'quick'
24 by any injury to the mother of such child by violating any provision of this title other than
25 Code Section 40-6-390 or ~~40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of this chapter, which would be
26 homicide by vehicle in the second degree as provided in subsection (b) of Code Section
27 40-6-393 if it resulted in the death of such mother.

28 (2) A person convicted of the offense of feticide by vehicle in the second degree shall
29 be punished as provided in Code Section 17-10-3."

30 **SECTION 2-48.**

31 Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 40-6-394, relating to serious injury by
32 vehicle, and inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 40-6-394 to read as follows:

33 "40-6-394.

Whoever, without malice, shall cause bodily harm to another by depriving him or her of a member of his or her body, by rendering a member of his or her body useless, by seriously disfiguring his or her body or a member thereof, or by causing organic brain damage which renders the body or any member thereof useless through the violation of Code Section 40-6-390 or ~~40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of this chapter shall be guilty of the crime of serious injury by vehicle. A person convicted under this Code section shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one year nor more than 15 years."

SECTION 2-49.

Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, is amended by striking paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Code Section 42-4-7, relating to maintenance of inmate record by sheriff and earned time allowances, and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (1) to read as follows:

"(b)(1) The sheriff, chief jailer, warden, or other officer designated by the county as custodian of inmates confined as county inmates for probation violations of felony offenses or as provided in subsection (a) of Code Section 17-10-3 may award earned time allowances to such inmates based on institutional behavior. Earned time allowances shall not be awarded which exceed one-half of the period of confinement imposed, except that the sheriff or other custodian may authorize the award of not more than four days' credit for each day on which an inmate does work on an authorized work detail; provided, however, that such increased credit for performance on a work detail shall not apply to an inmate who is incarcerated for:

(A) A second or subsequent offense of driving under the influence under ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 within a five-year period of time, as measured from the date of any previous arrest for which a conviction was obtained or a plea of nolo contendere was accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained or a plea of nolo contendere is accepted;

(B) A misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature; or

(C) A crime committed against a family member as defined in Code Section 19-13-1."

SECTION 2-50.

Said title is further amended by striking paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of Code Section 42-8-34, relating to hearings and determinations regarding probation, and inserting in lieu thereof a new paragraph (2) to read as follows:

"(2) In addition to any other provision of law, any person convicted of a violation of ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ or subsection (b) of Code Section 16-13-2 or Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 who is sentenced to probation or a suspended sentence by a municipal, magistrate, probate, recorder's, mayor's, state, or superior court shall also be required by the court to pay a one-time fee of \$25.00. The clerk of court, or if there is no clerk the person designated to collect fines, fees, and forfeitures for such court, shall collect such fee and remit the same not later than the last day of the month after such fee is collected to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority for deposit into the general fund of the state treasury."

SECTION 2-51.

Said title is further amended by striking subsection (a) of Code Section 42-8-111, relating to court ordered installation of ignition interlock devices, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) In addition to any other provision of probation, upon a second or subsequent conviction of a resident of this state for violating ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, for which such person is granted probation, the court shall order as conditions of probation that:

(1) Such person shall have installed and shall maintain in each motor vehicle registered in such person's name throughout the applicable six-month period prescribed by subsection (b) of Code Section 42-8-112 a functioning, certified ignition interlock device, unless the court exempts the person from the requirements of this paragraph based upon the court's determination that such requirements would subject the person to undue financial hardship; and

(2) Such person shall have installed and shall maintain in any other motor vehicle to be driven by such person during the applicable six-month period prescribed by subsection (b) of Code Section 42-8-112 a functioning, certified ignition interlock device, and such person shall not during such six-month period drive any motor vehicle whatsoever that is not so equipped.

For the purposes of this subsection, a plea of nolo contendere shall constitute a conviction; and a conviction of any offense under the law of another state or territory substantially conforming to any offense under ~~Code Section 40-6-391~~ Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 shall be deemed a conviction of violating said ~~Code section~~ part."

SECTION 2-52.

Said title is further amended by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (b) of Code Section 42-8-112, relating to proof of compliance required for reinstatement of certain drivers' licenses and for obtaining probationary license, and inserting in lieu thereof new paragraphs (2) and (3) to read as follows:

"(2) If the person subject to court ordered use of an ignition interlock device as a condition of probation is authorized under Code Section 40-5-63 or ~~40-5-67.2~~ Article 9 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 to apply for reinstatement of his or her driver's license during the period of suspension, such person shall, prior to applying for reinstatement of the license, have an ignition interlock device installed and shall maintain such ignition interlock device in a motor vehicle or vehicles to the extent required by subsection (a) of Code Section 42-8-111 for a period of six months running concurrently with that of an ignition interlock device limited driving permit, which permit shall not be issued until such person submits to the department proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program, proof of having undergone any clinical evaluation and of having enrolled in any substance abuse treatment program required by Code Section 40-5-63.1, and proof of installation of an ignition interlock device on a vehicle or vehicles to the extent required by subsection (a) of Code Section 42-8-111. Such a person may apply for and be issued an ignition interlock device limited driving permit at the end of 12 months after the suspension of the driver's license. At the expiration of such six-month ignition interlock device limited driving permit, the driver may, if otherwise qualified, apply for reinstatement of a regular driver's license upon payment of the fee provided in Code Section 40-5-25.

(3) If the person subject to court ordered use of an ignition interlock device as a condition of probation is authorized under Code Section 40-5-58 or ~~under Code Section 40-5-67.2~~ Article 9 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 to obtain a habitual violator's probationary license, such person shall, if such person is a habitual violator as a result of two or more convictions for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, have an ignition interlock device installed and maintained in a motor vehicle or vehicles to the extent required by subsection (a) of Code Section 42-8-111 for a period of six months following issuance of the probationary license, and such person shall not during such six-month period drive any motor vehicle that is not so equipped, all as conditions of such probationary license. Following expiration of such six-month period with no violation of the conditions of the probationary license, the person may apply for a habitual violator probationary license without such ignition interlock device condition."

PART III**SECTION 3-1.**

(a) The passage of this Act shall not abate or affect any prosecution or administrative proceedings against any person for violations of the law as it existed immediately prior to the effective date of this Act. Such prosecutions and administrative proceedings shall continue to be governed by the provisions of law in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this Act.

(b) The passage of this Act shall not affect any suspensions, revocations, or other administrative sanctions regarding drivers' licenses and the ability to operate a motor vehicle in this state that were in existence immediately prior to the effective date of this Act. Such suspensions, revocations, and other administrative sanctions shall remain in full force and effect.

(c) The passage of this Act shall not affect any sentence imposed by any court upon any person for violations of the law as it existed immediately prior to the effective date of this Act. Such sentences shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3-2.

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2006, and shall apply to all violations committed on and after such date.

SECTION 3-3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.